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County still working on budget

■ Increase down by 10%, but that still means \$25 tax hike

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

A case of beer, a bottle of whiskey or a carton of cigarettes. That's what taxpayers will have to give up to pay for 19% increase in the county's budget, says Warden Jim McMahon. Then again, "there are many people who neither drink nor smoke so maybe it's one less night at the show."

A 19% budget increase translates into a \$25 tax increase on an average residential property.

Until Wednesday morning, county councillors were faced with a 30% budget increase. But they reduced this to 19% in primarily two ways: they transferred \$200,000 from the roads department's equipment fund to pay for last year's roads deficit, and they convinced the provincial government to increase funding for Hyland Crest. They also trimmed costs at the county-owned senior citizens' home. Another small casualty was a \$1,000 grant to the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts.

Councillors feel they cannot make further cuts without jeopardizing the departments. "We certainly can't find any more room in which we can move," said McMahon. "If you cut too much out, what do you need the county for?"

"It's hoped that this is a budget we can live with and that next year we can start afresh," says Clerk-treasurer Terry Noble.

The increase provides for the hiring of a human resources manager and road construction projects. However, most departments do not have increases in spending. The county has been hard hit this year because of declining provincial grants, a welfare roll that continues to grow and the lack of any reserves to tap into.

Compared to last year's budgets, the largest increase is Hyland Crest, but that's because provincial funding has decreased, not that spending has increased. The percentage increase over last year's actual spending is 21 percent.

But spending on social services is definitely on the rise. In 1994, it is expected that \$4.6-million will be spent on welfare. Of that, county council is responsible for roughly 20 percent or \$883,000.

"Whew! Scary," said Mike Kitchenman of the Haliburton County Taxpayers Coalition.

Those costs are mandated by the provincial government. If someone is eligible for welfare, it must be paid at levels set by the

province. Right now there are more than 700 welfare cases in the county.

The only other department budget which increases is general government. It increase by 6% or \$19,000.

Last year, the county decided to spend money on roads construction to take advantage of provincial funding formulas and provide jobs. (It has been estimated that if the county doesn't spend any money on roads construction, it will save only \$2,800.) This year it has decreased the budget by 1%.

Anson, Hindon and Minden Deputy-reeve Lewis Stevens said that roads money will be well spent. Of the total spending of \$3.6-million, almost \$2-million will be spent on new construction. The department will provide jobs for 20 to 25 casual labourers, 30 county truckers and 12 equipment suppliers. It will spend \$500,000 on local products, and buy \$500,000-worth of products and services outside the county.

"Do we halt all construction in the county and take out \$1.5-million that's put into the county?" asked McMahon. "Can we really stand that?"

Council will vote on the budget on Wednesday. The 19% budget increase does not include the increase requested by the Chamber of Commerce.

Buses and teachers the target of budget

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Make children walk a kilometer. Cancel the late bus. Stop hiring teachers. End all extra-curricular travel. Cut computer spending. Clean schools less often....

The list went on and on last Tuesday night as school trustees got a look at what a zero budget increase could mean for Haliburton County's education system next year.

Facing increased expenses of more than \$1-million over last year's \$16,423,945 budget, the board's administrative staff drew up a list of possible cutbacks for the board's management committee to consider.

A series of incremental budget cuts would take the increase down to zero (see chart).

But there would be a cost of another kind.

"There are a lot of things here that cause damage and pain," said business administrator Jim Bradley. "There are a lot of things here people want... Making children walk a kilometer will take a lot of political will."

The proposal to make children walk as far as one kilometer to meet their school bus was part of a total of \$76,000 in proposed cuts to travel and transportation programs.

At last month's management committee meeting, trustees had been given a list of possible reductions in expenditures totalling half a million dollars. It included putting a hold on maintenance programs and keeping school supplies at 1993 levels.

But that still left a budget

increase of \$636,340 or 3.9 per cent over last year.

So the list they got last week cut closer to the bone.

It included reducing the teaching complement, effective in September and saving four months of salaries this year. The cuts would be the equivalent of 2.2 teachers (\$44,000) and four educational assistants (\$40,000).

(Earlier proposed cuts included not replacing three teachers who will retire in September for a saving of \$72,000).

It would also limit the use of occasional teachers and cut their pay from \$140 to \$130 a day (\$46,000).

It would reduce custodial staff by the equivalent of 1.5 full-time workers (\$45,000).

(Bradley said that would leave

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Eco-tourism is ideal for county - and students

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Natural resources students know the difference between a maple tree and a pine tree. Tourism students know the difference between a friendly welcome and a welcome that says "whaddiya want?"

With Sir Sandford Fleming College's new eco-tourism course, you'll have a graduate who knows her trees and her hospitality.

"Eco-tourism is an enlightening nature travel experience that contributes to conservation of the ecosystem while respecting the integrity of the host community," says Al MacPherson, quoting his favourite definition at an information meeting last Tuesday night at the Haliburton campus. MacPherson is the SSFC teacher who will be overseeing the program, which is the first of its kind in North America. The first set of 60 students will start classes at Wig-A-Mog Inn this September.

Another definition of eco-tourism is that it helps areas such as Haliburton cash in on the environmental movement. People are much more aware of nature, and why they should be preserving it. When they travel, they like to combine escapism with learning

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Once more to the ballot box

Haliburton County voters will go to the polls again on Thursday - this time to select their MPP. Above, Marty Bradbury cast her vote at the advance poll last Thursday.

Business needs help now:

County's future depends on us, Chamber of Commerce tells county council

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

There are two ways to look at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce's request for \$89,000 in county funding.

On the one hand, the county's budget increase would then be 20.4% instead of 19%. Last year the Chamber got \$50,000 and that's how much council had budgeted for this year. Councillors are very aware that taxpayers want no increase at all and have reduced budgets in all other county departments.

On the other hand, by improving the Chamber's marketing abilities, more people will come to the Highlands, creating more jobs and therefore reducing the reliance on welfare. The county expects to spend almost \$900,000 on welfare in 1994. What if the Chamber helps to reduce the number of people who rely on that money to get by? Wouldn't

that pay back the additional 1.4% increase.

"If it's death or taxes, I'll take the taxes," said one businessman who supported the increase at Wednesday's county council meeting. Many business owners say that without an infusion of tourist dollars, their businesses will die.

The most impassioned plea came from Dennis Casey, whose unsolicited speech earned sustained applause from the two dozen Chamber supporters in the audience.

After Warden Jim McMahon said that any budget increase would be difficult to justify, Casey said "Mr. Warden, you've referred to what you're going to give us. But you're really talking about what you're going to do for the whole county - the businesses that pay your taxes, your next door neighbours. (I know people on welfare) and you have to begin to get us out of the circle.

The businesses in all parts of this county are desperate. They've got to have some money.

"There will be \$4.6-million spent in this county on welfare this year. Where's it going to end? You've done an excellent job in helping these people but we've got to get things moving... We cannot compete with Muskoka, which gets \$240,000 a year from the district. With \$50,000 we might as well go home.

"Have the intestinal fortitude to make a tough decision and be progressive. Think about the people who live beside you, people who want to work. Let's help businesses to be healthy - to be current with taxes. Think hard and long about what you have to do. The future depends on it."

"I can relate to everything you just said," said McMahon, a Minden businessman. "I think we're all in the same boat. But

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CLIMBING OUT OF WINTER: Just before the March Break, Victoria Street School held a winter carnival, with the hopes that spring would soon be around the corner. There are more pictures on page 27.

This week

Here, There and Everywhere...

The Minden OPP are hosting the Andy Gordon Memorial Trophy hockey game. On Saturday, March 19, Belleville District OPP officers will face off against Peterborough Division. The game is in honour of a police officer who was killed near Madoc when his cruiser was hit by a car driven by an impaired driver. The OPP are hoping to raise \$1,000 and the money will be given to the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School scholarship bursary in memory of Const. Erid Nystedt, who was killed on duty last summer. Two officers from the Minden detachment, Brian Sachs and Ben Manuge, will be playing for the Peterborough team. Admission is \$2 and there are also draws for special prizes, such as a hockey stick signed by Toronto Maple Leaf captain Wendell Clark. The game is at the Dysart arena and begins at 7 p.m..

All students who placed first, second or third in the Remembrance Day Poster, Essay and Poem competition, as well as those students who took part in the public speaking contest, are invited to Haliburton Legion Branch 129 on Tuesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. for the awarding of prizes and certificates. Family, teachers and friends are also welcome.

As the Board of Education discusses its budget, teachers' salaries come under intense public scrutiny. A local teacher thought another perspective was warranted and sends along an article. It says that the economic status of teachers and professors relative to that of self-employed doctors and surgeons declined in 1989. In 1981, the ratio was 41%; in 1989 it was 33%. As well, Statistics Canada reports that absenteeism among teachers in 1991 was comparable with that for the labour force as a whole and significantly lower than for several other groups, including nursing, manufacturing and public administration. During a typical week in the school year, 6.2% of teachers were absent for some portion of the scheduled weekly others - 4% due to their own illness or disability and 2.2% for personal or family responsibilities.

Are you having a whacky event this summer? Cottage-Life wants to know about it. If you're planning something out of the ordinary, please contact Sandy Newton at 416-259-4955 or fax 416-360-6814. Please do it soon because deadlines are looming.

MP John O'Reilly presented a petition in the House of Commons calling for actions against Serial Killer Cards - trading cards with the pictures of serial killers on them. The Victoria-Haliburton MP says the cards "glorify serial killers and send a negative, violent message to the youth of our country."

People who listen to Ontario Morning will be interested to know that the show has a new host - but she has a familiar voice. Cornwall correspondent Valerie Marshall is the permanent replacement for Sue Prestedge, starting March 14. As well as her weekly radio reports, Marshall worked for the Cornwall Stand-Freeholder, and has lots of previous radio experience. Ontario Morning is heard weekday mornings from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. on 92.3 FM. Every second Wednesday at 8:35 a.m., Echo editor Martha Perkins gives a Haliburton report on the show.

Eight Career Planning Workshops for the unemployed are being offered free of charge on Tuesday, March 22 at the Holiday Inn in Peterborough. Participants have a choice of attending five hourly sessions that include labour market information, entrepreneurship, how technology is changing employment, local employment services, assessing your skills, resumes that work, changing careers and interview techniques. Call Kawartha Skills Development at 1-749-1577 to ensure a seat at the workshops of your choice.

Resources & tourism combined

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a bit more about the environment - bird and plant life, man's impact, conservation techniques... Or maybe instead of driving to a quiet spot, they want to paddle there. "The bottom line is how do I get the money based on nature?"

If an area has natural beauty, eco-tourism can boost the local economy. And the Sir Sandford course will give an even bigger boost to Haliburton County's economy because the students will do work placements here. They'll also come up with projects that will help businesses capitalize on the area's beauty.

MacPherson has taught eco-tourism courses, but primarily in Central American countries where eco-tourism is the economic lifeblood. "Now I'm able to package it all together and make it really exciting," he told the dozen or so people.

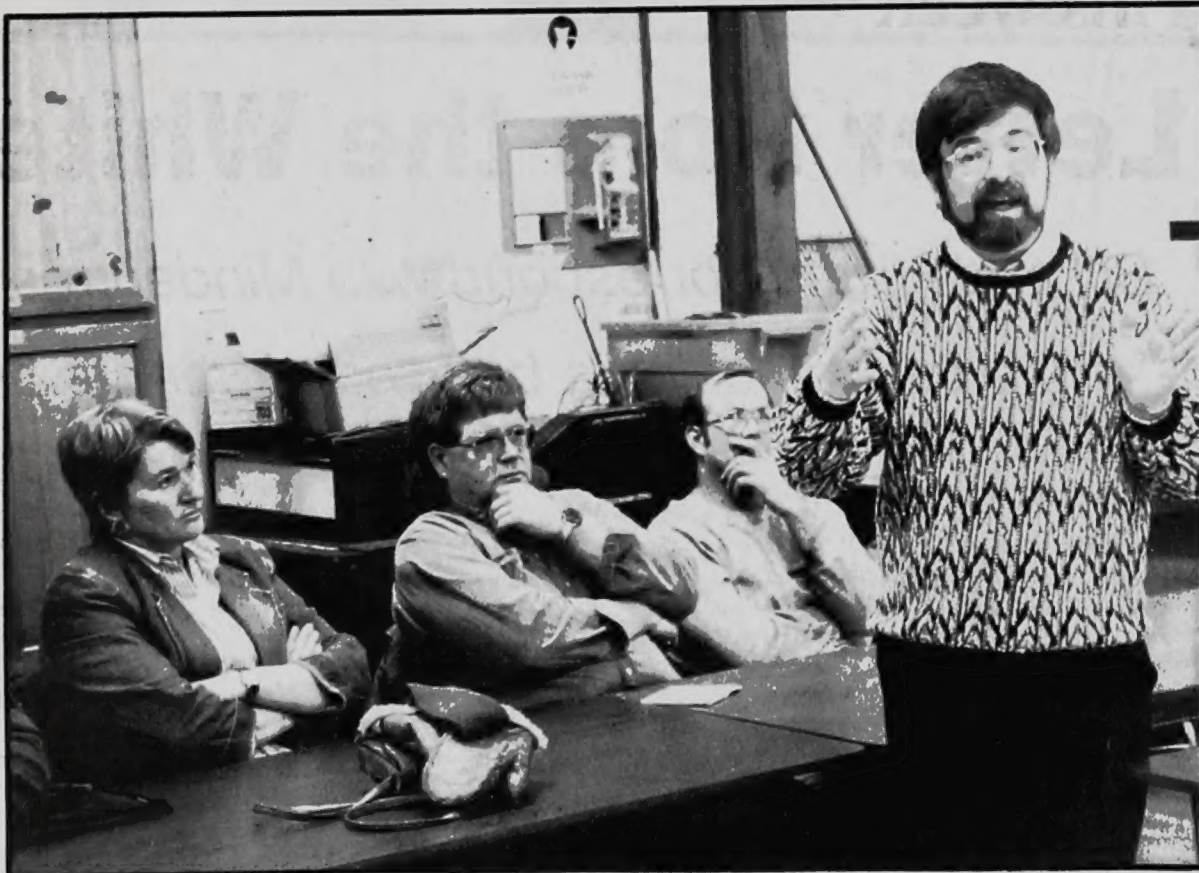
This is the first time that the natural resources and tourism disciplines will be combined in one course. Of the 60 students, 30 will have a natural resources background and 30 will have a tourism background. (A certain number of spaces are also being put aside for mature students who might not have specific education in either field. However, the course is not designed for students just out of high school.)

There will be some core subjects, and then the natural resources students will learn about tourism and the tourism students will learn about natural resources. Most classes will be based at Wig-A-Mog, but there will also be extensive co-operation with the 50,000-acre Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve.

"If you're going to learn about the environment, what better place to learn than Haliburton? Not Lindsay!"

The course will:

- determine the expectations of the traveller
- train a person to plan and deliver eco-tourism in a way that will result in high customer satisfaction



"If you're going to learn about the environment, what better place to learn than Haliburton," asks teacher Al MacPherson, on right, at Tuesday night's information meeting on Sir Sandford's new eco-tourism course

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- train a person to provide a safe and enjoyable learning experience for the participants. (For instance, MacPherson remembers being told to look "up there" for a lizard in a tree. Instead of pointing fruitlessly, students would learn how to use a mirror and the sun's rays as a pointer.)

- train a person to work on a management team in development of sustainable eco-tourism strategies and events
- facilitate the creation of sustainable economic activities
- and help a person demonstrate self-motivation, creativity and leadership.

Graduates would be able to find

work both locally and internationally. Some countries don't pay well, but offer tremendous opportunities for people with a taste for adventure.

If you are interested in applying for the course, please contact the SSFC office in Haliburton, 457-1680.

Kennel pays for its kindness as dogs abandoned by owner

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Weimar Kennels is in the business of taking care of other people's dogs. But the assumption is that after a brief stay, the dogs will be picked up again by their owners.

A couple of months ago, a man brought a Huskie and her two pups to the Gooderham kennel. The mother was very skinny and had a bad case of worms, which the kennel addressed. The pups were also skinny, and the kennel began feeding them at least three times a day. But a month and

\$300 in kennel costs later, the three dogs were still there.

The owner of the kennel, Chris Lang, found out that the dogs' owner was still in the area. He was approached and said he had financial problems - could they please give him a couple of days. A couple of days passed, the same request was made and the same answer was received. The next time the kennel phoned the owner, the phone was disconnected. A trip to the owner's house revealed that it had been cleared of all possessions.

Now the kennel has three dogs

which it is feeding and taking care of with little hope of financial reimbursement. The kennel owners say they've also had to turn down business for the March break because the kennel is full.

The owners would like to stress that kennels are not "drop off centres" for people who can no longer take care of their pets.

The Langs will probably try to find people to adopt these three dogs. (The two puppies are a cross between a Huskie and another breed. The kennel owners say "they're gorgeous and sweet.")

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Letter from the White House

Bill and Hillary correspond with Minden resident and share the pain of losing a beloved mother to breast cancer

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When she went to her mailbox last week, Linda Coneybeare was surprised to find a letter from The White House.

When she opened the hand-addressed envelope, she was even more surprised to read this message: "We deeply appreciate your kind expression of sympathy. Your thoughts and prayers are a great comfort to our entire family."

The note was hand signed by Bill Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton, the occupants of the

White House.

A few weeks earlier, Ms. Coneybeare had sent a letter to the president of the United States. "Bill Clinton's mother died of breast cancer and I just felt sad for him because I still felt sad for myself."

On May 5, 1993, Ms. Coneybeare's mother died of cancer. Rose Coneybeare initially had ovarian cancer. It was successfully treated and then she got breast cancer, and the cancer spread to her brain.

"It's just staggering the number of women who die from breast

cancer," says Linda Coneybeare, who's in a high risk group for the disease. "There just hasn't been enough importance placed on genetic research."

After her ovarian cancer, Rose Coneybeare was getting a mammogram three times a year. A mammogram is a specialized x-ray for breast cancer. She had a clear mammogram in March and felt the lump in April. Research is now being done on the genetics which cause cancer. It is hoped that a simple blood test will be developed to see if the woman is carrying the cancer gene.

In her letter to President

Clinton, Ms. Coneybeare said "please, for the sake of our daughters, promote more research and maybe we will find a cure."

She was "absolutely amazed" that the president took the time to respond, especially since Ms. Coneybeare is not an American voter. "It also impressed me that someone took the time to hand-write the envelope."

The letter from the Clintons will be put into a scrapbook, a tradition started by Rose Coneybeare and now continued by her daughter.



FOR OUR DAUGHTERS: Linda Coneybeare, here with children Chloe and Patrick Kitchman, wrote a letter to the Clintons, reminding them of the need for breast cancer research. Last week she received a response.

Bill Clinton

Hillary Rodham Clinton

Chamber's marketing initiative can't be ignored

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how many times can we go to the one taxpayer?"

However, Stanhope Reeve Fred Gardner used his business background to come up with a different response. "There seems to be a renewal within the Chamber and I'm excited about their initiatives. Tourism is the only game in town. When I was in business and times were tough, we didn't pull our salesmen off the road. We increased the number of them."

Snowdon Reeve George Simmons said that if the business people at the meeting were willing to accept a tax increase to support the Chamber, council should take that as a sign of encouragement. "It's you who

will employ people and take people off of welfare."

"I welcome an increase if it promotes this county so I can make money and pay my bills," said Stanhope businessman Jim Batterbee. "If we've got money going into the Chamber, is there not a direct impact on the county?"

"Not everyone sees it that way," countered Bicroft Reeve Hans Stevens. He says his residents haven't reaped any benefits

from Chamber spending and would be unwilling to support an increase. "It shouldn't be the Haliburton County Chamber of Commerce, it should be the Haliburton/Minden Chamber of Commerce."

"You're getting back into fighting between one side of the county and another," said Minden businessman Gary Bloor. "What happened in the Chamber three years ago, 10 years ago, is not what happens now... There's a

new board, a new Chamber and they need a council that will take a chance with them."

Bryan Brown, co-ordinator of Community Futures, also spoke in defence of the Chamber, noting that they plan to increase the profile of events throughout the Highlands.

"You asked for it," and Sherborne Deputy-reeve Hans Liebmann said they were going to get it. The night before, he was phoned by five "of the biggest

business people in Dorset" who were against the increase. "You haven't convinced them. Why not? These people call me to say you have nothing for them."

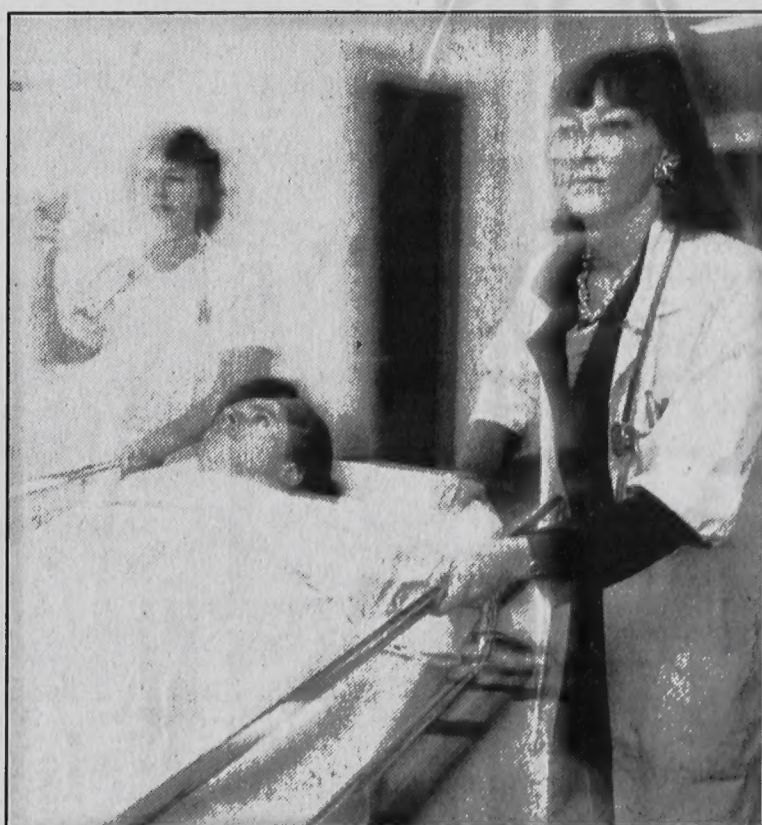
"They don't want to join us because they want all their advertising dollars to go to Muskoka, but Muskoka doesn't want them. Muskoka won't accept advertising from outside the district," replied Brown. Dorset businesses have been approached to join Chamber marketing initiatives.

Likewise, people in the east like to advertise with Bancroft.

If the Chamber gets its \$50,000, it will be able to keep the Hwy. 35 office open and pay for the toll-free phone line. With the other \$49,000, it plans to strengthen its marketing projects by increasing signage, making videos of places and events, increasing advertising and putting a billboard on Hwy. 400.

Council will make its final budget decision this Wednesday.

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A 23-year-old resident of R.R. 1 Haliburton faces three charges stemming from a house party on Friday, Feb. 25. He has been charged with sexual assault, administering a stupefying drug and trafficking in a restricted drug (LSD). The victim is a 15-year-old Haliburton girl. William Craig Faulkner will appear in Provincial Court Minden on April 27.

Const. Mike Landry says people shouldn't be surprised that there are such drugs in Haliburton County. "I'm sure you can find anything you want," he says. As communications officer, he does a drug education program in the schools. "I explain to them that they have the advantage of being told about this stuff - we were left to learn about it on our own."

He tells students that while a couple of beers might seem innocent enough, what happens if someone says "Okay, let's smoke this." To become a habit you only have to do it once. They've got to be aware that this problem will be presented to them. It's up to them to make the decision and hopefully they'll think back to what they've been told and that there are consequences."

As part of a welfare fraud investigation by Det. Const. Al Bibby of the Minden OPP, charges have been laid against a 35-year-old Haliburton man. The man has been charged with defrauding the Ministry of Community and Social Services of \$67,734.98. Kevin Moseley of Sunnyside Drive will appear in Provincial Court Criminal Division Minden on April 27. This is the second person who has been charged of defrauding the welfare department of large sums of money. Last week Doreen Smith of Haliburton was charged. Det. Const. Bibby is now looking at several suspect frauds of much lesser amounts.

On March 8 at approximately 5 a.m., the alarm was activated at Haliburton IGA. Minden OPP officers responded and found the front window of the store smashed out and approximately \$3,000 worth of cigarettes stolen. While investigating this break and enter, the officers were informed that the front door of Glen Sharpley's Sports was also smashed. The officers attended and found that a large quantity of sports clothing, watches and sunglasses were stolen. A window was also broken at Mingles, but nothing was stolen. Sr. Const. Davis is investigating.

A 22-year-old Haliburton man has been charged with possession of stolen property valued at more than \$1,000. He had in his possession a "Yamaha Big Bear" all-terrain vehicle which had been stolen from a cottage on Salmon Lake in December, 1993. Dean Fife will appear in Lindsay court on April 20 for a first appearance.

Apsley OPP have investigated a matter involving a group of youths taunting and bullying another youth in the Cardiff area. Two officers held a group meeting last week, but unfortunately, only a small percentage of the youths involved attended with their parents. Youths should be advised that behaviour involving intimidation and bullying will not be tolerated. Should any more incidents develop, all offenders involved will be charged.

Hydro workers escape plunge into icy creek near Irondale

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Two Ontario Hydro workers escaped injury last Thursday morning when their truck plunged off a bridge and into an icy river in Irondale.

Driver John Barkwell of Kinmount and Paul Humber of Minden were returning from a service call on Salerno Lake Road when their company truck skidded on ice, slid through a metal guard rail and dropped about 20 feet into Devil's Creek.

The two men were able to climb out of the cab, wet but uninjured, and took part in the three-hour effort to get the truck out of the creek.

The accident spot was on a treacherous part of Salerno Lake Road. An icy hill leads to a sharp right turn to cross the one-lane bridge, on the road that leads out to Highway 503 in Irondale.

Emile Duchene, of Duchene Truck and Service Centre in West Guilford, was called in to pull the truck out of the water. It took him more than two hours to right the vehicle and winch it up the embankment.

Mary Ferns, who has owned a cottage on the lake for more than 30 years, said that even in the summer the bridge is dangerous. She said two jeeps went into the creek last summer.

Ferns also said Snowdon Township had cut back on sanding and that made the road worse than usual in the winter.

There are three permanent residents on the road but a lot of cottagers use it on weekends, even in the winter.

Snowdon reeve George Simmons said the road was icy but it is sanded as much as any other road of its kind. He said it's a bad road because its narrow with some sharp turns.

At times in the spring the road



Ontario Hydro workers, including driver John Barkwell (right), watch as Barkwell's Hydro truck is pulled from Devil's Creek in Irondale last Thursday.

is inaccessible because the Burnt River overflow to the creek takes floodwaters up over the bridge.

"You've got to weigh how much you spend, what are the expectations on a road like that?"

Permanent resident Raymond Kane said there had been a few accidents on the road, although

he wasn't aware of vehicles going into the creek before this one.

"It's not a very wide road, I've slipped there myself, it's pretty icy."

But he said the road called for more caution by drivers.

He said Snowdon always

plowed the road and it was usually sanded.

A supervisor at Ontario Hydro wasn't able to give an estimate of the damage to the truck, which had a smashed windshield and was badly dented by the fall into the creek.

Trade labour for taxes: businessman

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Archie Dobbins has an idea.

Money is tight right now and a lot of people are having problems paying their property taxes. Why not let those people contribute a service or a product, and have the value deducted from their taxes?

"Everyone's got lots of time on their hands and they don't have the money," the Allsaw businessman said at Wednesday's county council meeting. "If a person is in arrears, why not let them work it off?"

Let's say a grocery store contributes food to Hyland Crest. Or a contractor helps with a renovation project. The value of the food and the labour would then be knocked off the property taxes, either at full value, or even at half value.

Dobbins says that until recently, such an idea was considered crazy. But the province has just

allowed school boards to do it, so why shouldn't municipal governments be next?

"The only thing that would bother me is I'd hope I was getting the best value," said Anson, Hindon and Minden Deputy-reeve Lewis Stevens. "Whether it's credit or cash, it's taxpayers' involvement."

"We're not talking about garage sale items," responded Dobbins. "You know you have arrears, why not give people an opportunity to put something back? Do not wrongly assume that the services you get are substandard..."

"And when someone contributes, make a big deal about it. Give people a chance to feel good about what they're doing."

"It's the best idea I've heard in a long time," said Sherborne et al Deputy-reeve Hans Liebmann.

"We should take such suggestions seriously and find out if such a thing is possible or if we can help make it possible."

"I think it's a brilliant idea," said Stanhope businessman Jim Batterbee, who was at the meeting to support the budget request of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. "If you need (brush work) done, I'd be happy to put my labour and equipment to work. Then I've got my taxes paid in hours when I wasn't busy with my own business."

Glamorgan Deputy-reeve Glen Madill agreed that the idea was a good one, "but I can see our own township office filled with people saying 'I want a day here.'"

He also said that the municipal portion of taxes is only about 34%. If such a scheme was in place, would there be enough tax dollars available to give to the school board?

Clerk-treasurer Terry Noble will look into the feasibility of such a plan.



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Glamorgan seeks out errant taxpayers

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The following are brief reports of Wednesday night's meeting of Glamorgan council, with all members present except Councillor Earl MacDuff.

Back taxes

There are 60 people who are so far behind in paying their property taxes, council could proceed to sell their land and house. But council doesn't want to do that. Instead, it is going to send a letter to property owners whose taxes haven't been paid for three years or more and ask them to start on a payment plan to bring their taxes up to date. With some of them, it's a matter of \$79. For others, it's as much as \$5,400.

"Many of them aren't in real danger," said Clerk-treasurer Mike Rutter. "It's a matter of neglect."

The errant taxpayers will be asked to pay the total taxes for 1990 together with all the interest owing for the remaining years. Rutter says that with current interest rates, owners would be better off to borrow the money from the bank and avoid the 15% penalty charged by Glamorgan.

The Municipal Tax Sales Act says the municipality can prepare and register a tax arrears certificate against the title to these people's land. Council can sell the land, recoup its costs, and give the remainder to the property owner. Before

such certificate could be cancelled, it would be necessary to pay all outstanding taxes, penalty and interest, together with legal fees incurred.

Meanwhile, council will have to pay \$1,100 to property owners who successfully appealed their assessment. Some rebates go back to 1991 and council has no choice but to return that portion of the taxes.

Community centre

There is agreement on principle for the design of the community centre expansion. Instead of adding to the front (east) of the building and then renovating the interior, council approved of a plan to put an addition on the west end of the building. This addition would be the size of a double car garage and house the kitchen. The present kitchen and bar would become the storage area and the bar would be moved to the southeast end of the building.

"You've got a simpler structure and therefore you bring your costs down," said Peter Vos, who presented the plan to council on behalf of a local expansion committee. As Councillor Bill Challis noted, with this plan you don't need to close the hall for renovations, except for the three weeks it will take to put a new floor in the existing building.

Reeve Bev MacDuff wondered if the kitchen addition would look like a "big box stuck at the end," but Vos said because of its location, it won't be very visible. Councillor Lorrie Saville won-

dered about having the bar in the far corner. "All of a sudden you have all these people crowding into the corner," she said. Vos said they could line up along the wall and Challis said he'd be glad to see a line-up. (Attendance at many events has been down, affecting bar revenues.)

Eventually, all councillors agreed to the plan, but Saville said her approval was based on getting price quotes from engineers.

It is hoped that by using community centre reserves and taking advantage of the federal/provincial infrastructure program, the renovations could be made without increasing taxes.

Strategic plan

Glamorgan might be able to piggyback on the county's plan to draft a strategic plan and come up with a strategic plan of its own.

In order to set county priorities, the plan is to hold public meetings in each of the 10 municipalities. Glamorgan could take the information from its meeting and pay a consultant to draft up a plan specific to its needs and aspirations.

"If you don't have a strategic plan, don't expect provincial or federal funding," said Bryan Brown, co-ordinator of Community Futures. When a ministry is given a pile of funding applications, the first ones to be weeded out will be those which aren't linked to any planning. A strategic plan says this is

what's important to the community. "Taxpayers should be involved," said Brown. "Once it's in place, it's everyone's plan."

Brown was at the meeting to outline the role and objectives of Community Futures, which is totally funding by the federal government as a catalyst for economic improvement.

When Brown had a similar job in Wawa, he helped create 1,000 to 1,200 jobs, and he believes the same is possible here. He applauded the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce for its new enthusiasm and ideas. "There's been a real change of attitude at the Chamber and a lot of it comes from confidence."

Recent initiatives, such as The Sports Network's coverage of the Minden Sled Dog Derby, have been highly successful and more have been planned.

Brown says the Chamber and the county in general are in the process of letting people know of their successes. We have untapped potential in the Highlands and it's a matter of letting everyone know about it. Brown contacted 11 snowmobile magazines in the United States, and none of them had heard of Haliburton, even though the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association is billed as the largest snowmobile club in the world. Now it's Haliburton's job to let those snowmobilers know about the 700 kilometres of trails here.

Other initiatives have been two training courses: one for entrepreneurship, the other for

hospitality training. MacDuff agreed that the courses were important, but complained that only people receiving Unemployment Insurance or welfare are allowed to take part. "Everybody should have the opportunity to be trained," she said. "There were three courses I wanted to take but couldn't because I don't qualify."

Brown said that if anyone needs training, they should contact his office to see if anything can be arranged.

Fire department

Instead of having councils comment on the possibility of a county-wide fire department, Reeve MacDuff said that it's the fire chiefs who should be getting together.

"I don't think that as reeve I should go and ask 'Do you agree with this?'" she said. "The chiefs probably have 100 questions I couldn't answer."

The Fire Marshall's Office is investigating whether county residents would be better served by a county-based fire department. Existing fire departments would stay as they are, but would be paid for through a county levy. If someone has a fire, they'd call a central number and the closest department would then be dispatched.

Not all municipalities have fire departments and MacDuff said many legalities would have to be sorted out. What if Glamorgan's department was fighting a fire in Snowdon and there was a fire in Glamorgan?

Septic system testing

Last year, the Ministry of Environment and Energy opted out of the Cottage Pollution Control Program which tested septic systems on lakes. With budget cuts, it could no longer afford to offer the program and suggested that lake associations take it over.

The Glamor Lake association wants to do just that. It plans to hire four young people under the Environmental Youth Corps. They would be trained by the Ministry and then go to each of the properties on Big and Little Glamor Lake. Owners would then be told if their septic system is substandard and should be replaced. (On other lakes, two-thirds of property owners replaced their faulty systems voluntarily once they were told of the problem.)

On behalf of the association, Saville asked council to have the workers covered under the municipality's Worker's Compensation and liability insurance. A member of the association would voluntarily act as the supervisor.

When council asked whether this would be fair to other lakes in the municipality, Saville said the program was open to any association, and so far, Glamorgan was the only one in Glamorgan to make an application.

Council will inquire about any potential costs but agreed in principle to the proposal.

Devolin will speak in Lindsay

Remember the federal election? Local Reform Party candidate Barry Devolin garnered 15,000 votes and although he didn't win, he did impress the federal party. He's now got a senior position at Reform Party headquarters in Ottawa where he heads the policy and research department. On Thursday, March 24, he'll be back in the riding to speak at the local riding association's annual general meeting. You do not have to be a member of the party to attend. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Lindsay Library on Kent Street. For more information, call the constituency office at (705) 878-1785.

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EDITORIAL

Death or taxes

Give anybody five minutes, and they can probably come up with 10 complaints about the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. The complaint might be 10 years old, it might be a week old. However, give people five minutes, and they could come up with 10 complaints against any business or organization (including the Echo.) Some of the complaints are valid and indicate problems which need to be resolved. Some are simply differences of opinion which will never be resolved. So when it comes to deciding whether the Chamber should be given a 40 percent increase in its county levy, don't concentrate on the complaints. Instead, ask yourself if having a Chamber is worthwhile. If the answer is yes, then you have to be willing to pay for it.

If the Chamber gets all the money it wants, the county's budget will increase by 20.4% instead of 19%. Although that seems very high, the counter argument is that by luring more tourists to the area, businesses can employ more people - people who are driving the welfare rolls up by 8%. It's welfare that costs this county money, not putting billboards on highways or making promotional videos. And just as you have to spend money to make money, potential tourists won't be attracted by cheap marketing strategies. If the Chamber is going to market the Highlands, it has to be able to do it well.

Whether we like it or not, tourism fuels this economy. It doesn't provide stability, it's too dependent on the weather, jobs are still largely seasonal, but right now, it's all we've got. But we can't be complacent about it. There are hundreds - thousands - of other beautiful places for people to visit. Why should people come here? You have to convince them that they'll enjoy it and all those other areas are spending tens of thousands of dollars to do just that.

County councillors cannot let personal animosity colour their decision. Yes, mistakes were made in the past and will be made in the future. Yes, we are in the midst of one of the worst recessions. And yes, 20.4% is a big increase, but it's the first 19% that hurts the most, not the Chamber's increase. Right now, Chamber members are motivated and willing to work. By slapping them down, many of them won't bother to get up again. Why volunteer your time and energy when it's not appreciated? Council has to capitalize on the current level of optimism. Give the Chamber a year and see if the money has been well invested.

What was so striking about Wednesday's presentation was the note of desperation in many of the business owners' voices. As one of them said, "if it's a choice between death and taxes, give me taxes." If the economy doesn't improve within the next year, many businesses will die. Of course, they don't like paying higher taxes, but they see tourism as their only salvation right now.

Compare this to some of the discussions at the Haliburton County Board of Education. There's no doubt that the trustees are faced with the same provincial squeeze as the county. But what means life or death to the Chamber seems to be treated as a trifling affair at the board. For instance, budget cuts may mean that the board office will be cleaned every other day instead of every day. The board office, populated by adults, is being cleaned once a day? What private business can afford to hire someone to clean their office every day? The board cannot cry the blues about budget problems if such spending is allowed to continue. It is completely out of touch with reality in any organization or business not assisted by public funds. People will treat the board's problems with respect only if the board extends the same courtesy to taxpayers. **M.P.**



Photo by Linda Shutt

Liberals' decision on Martin lumber not forgotten

To the Editor from our Readers

To the Editor:

I was very surprised to hear of Lyn McLeod's visit to Haliburton to help her Liberal candidate for the upcoming by-election. Did she think that we would forget what her and her Liberal government did to Haliburton County four years ago, when as Minister of Natural Resources she refused to transfer G.W. Martin's crown timber rights to Robert Bury and Company, a Montreal-based business, a willing buyer. This shut down the largest employer in Haliburton County, plus lost 400 jobs in the surrounding area. Now she and her Liberal talk about jobs for Haliburton County, "I think not!"

In an interview with the Bancroft Times on June 11, 1990, I quote, McLeod says "It would have meant taking wood away from existing mills which might have affected jobs at those operations." For this reason she is calling for a study to look at the overall demand for wood in the area and available supply. McLeod says "She hopes the study will be complete within the year. The crown timber rights formerly held by G.W. Martin and sought by Robert Bury will not be relocated until the study is completed." End of quote. I have never seen or heard of this study, nor can I find out of a study being started. But I do know that the timber from G.W. Martin's timber allotment was cut and trucked to McRay's Lumber Co. in Whitney and to Murry Lumber Co. in Madawaska, (Sean Conway's riding of Renfrew North) within that same year.

No Lyn McLeod and Sean Conway and your Liberal party, we have not forgotten, we know where your priorities are and it is not in Haliburton County. On the 17th of March 1994, "We will remember!"

P.S. "Once bitten, twice shy."

Thomas L. Coghlan,
Harcourt

Naturalists' workshop

To the Editor:

Everywhere in the natural world we meet contrasts. Colour, patterns, texture and moods are constantly changing. When people leave the busy work-a-day world, and come into the Highlands, perhaps they are already seeking contrasts. Most of the sounds, smells and visual panoramas that greet us are quite different from the messages of

Gloom and Doom of the television, radio and printed world.

In Haliburton County, we have the opportunity to see sparkling lakes and flowing rivers, instead of littered streets. We can stop and listen to a bird's song instead of traffic or engines. We enjoy the aroma of cedar, spruce and pine instead of motorized exhausts.

But do we take this lesson into our centres? Do we try to blend these natural contrasts into our cultural world. A new partnership can be formed. Opposites can create an excellent relationship. When children learn to see beauty in the forest, they will not throw down a candy wrapper. Growing in this direction, as adults they will not throw a beer can, cigarette butt or empty motor oil can. An artistic eye becomes an ecological eye.

Come join us for an Environmental Action Workshop on Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 p.m. at the Haliburton Museum, Glebe Park, Haliburton. Share your environmental ideas and lifestyle changes with others in a relaxed atmosphere.

Wendy E. Bateman,
Vice-President
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Ambulance to the rescue

To the Editor:

During the past several months I have been reading about all the hassles faced by local and provincial ambulance services.

Recently the Haliburton Ambulance Service came to my aid under adverse conditions and transported me to Haliburton Hospital where the proper decisions were made.

My heartfelt thanks to all concerned, and let us all support the ambulance service and Haliburton Hospital as much as we possibly can.

George Montgomery,
Gooderham

Single-minded ministry

The following letter was sent to David Cooke, Minister of Education.

Dear Sir:

I cannot believe the Ministry can be so single-minded as to force the implementation of a program that amounts to nothing more than glorified daycare. Living and working in a large urban centre must render you ignorant to the other areas of the province. Well, let me enlighten you.

While I concede that Junior Kindergarten is a good idea in principle, and probably works in the big cities and towns, the feasibility does not stretch to rural Ontario. The government has to realize that what may work for some may not necessarily work for all. Our school board has asked for a delay of implementation of this program to 1996. Personally, I would prefer not having it at all. Let those school boards who already have or want to have a J.K. program have one, and those who do not, do without. We have been able to get along fine without one so far.

In this area, approximately 95% of the student population must ride a bus to school. Some students spend upwards of 1-1/2 hours on a school bus each way. I really do not think a child three or four years old is capable of holding his own against a child 11 or 12 years of age. How is a bus driver supposed to watch out for these little children and drive the bus safely as well? I really have to wonder how many MPPs have children under the age of five years. Would you want your child travelling to school for an hour on a bus, basically unsupervised? I think not.

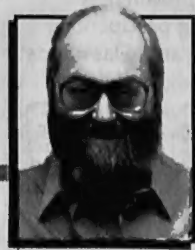
And speaking of daycare, what will become of the people who look after children in their homes and those who run daycare centres? Do you not think that the loss of income to these people will have an impact on them? Not only will their income levels go down, their property taxes will undoubtedly go up to pay for this new program.

My child will be of age to start Junior Kindergarten in 1996. While I understand that enrolment is to be voluntary, I think it is safe to say that the child starting school at age 5 without having attended Junior Kindergarten first will not be at the same level academically as the child who did attend Junior Kindergarten. The Ministry will then no doubt adjust its standards for all grades once Junior Kindergarten is implemented. Consequently, it is possible for a child to be "behind" other children once they reach Grade 1 and through all grades thereafter. This can be quite a problem when you are teaching a class of 25 to 30 students. What about the areas of the province that do not already have the facilities to accommodate these new classes of children? Is the province going to grant these Boards the necessary funding to build additional classrooms? I somehow doubt it. As I understand it, not all of the schools in our county have the space to accommodate more children. Does this mean that some of our schools will have Junior Kindergarten and some will not?

While we do not presently have an elected Member of Provincial Parliament (a by-election is set for March 17), we did elect Dennis Drainville

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Cross country tour ends



**THE VIEW
FROM HERE**
HARVEY CLARKE

LAST TIME, we left you in Tucson, Arizona, with the promise of a visit to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. This is our third time around, and right off the bat, I should make it clear that this is a living museum, with living examples of the animal and insect life that inhabit the Sonora Desert.

There are abundant examples of the plants and cactus there as well, with the zoo/museum actually carved out of an area of the Saguaro National Monument — a preserve for these giant cacti that never ceases to impress.

In the museum you will find a giant walk-through aviary chock full of living examples of the smaller species among the 300 kinds of birds who live in the desert. Bigger birds like the hawks, eagles and roadrunners are nearby in cages. A smaller walk-in aviary houses examples of the eight species of hummingbirds found in the area.

There are javelinas, the small wild pigs that visited our campsite in Texas one night last trip, coyotes, wolves, mountain lions, deer, and big horn sheep — all in cageless display areas.

Our favorite has always been the river otter display which allows you to see them swim and play through underwater windows.

There are small animals like bobcats and ocelots, coatimundis and jaguarundis and even the Southwest's variety of beaver. I won't dwell on the tarantulas, scorpions, or the lizards, snakes and Gila monsters, except to say that they are behind glass, and it is the best way to see them close up...

We were able to find a campground that night in Arizona's Old West country, north of Tombstone, "The Town Too Tough to Die." With the recent movie of the same name about the shootout at the OK Corral, the town is again getting a lot of attention.

This trip, in addition to a tour of the famous shootout site, we were able to visit on a weekend

and see the locals put on a 1800s fashion show and their own version of the shootout — with blank ammunition, of course...

Then it was through New Mexico and across West Texas with only brief overnight stops until we got to Mustang Island on the Gulf of Mexico near Corpus Christi. A favorite spot, we decided to skip our exploration of the Rio Grande Valley for another week near the ocean.

This time, they were allowing camping beside the ocean, but we put it off for the last night and ran into some rough weather that kept us in the park proper. We did enjoy our stay, but were on our way, with a stop in the Germanstyle community of Schulenburg, and another at a Cajun country campground in Louisiana before we settled north of New Orleans.

Our visit there included a view of the Mississippi and all the sights of the French Quarter. It has been many years since our last visit here, and I am happy to say that, while they have made improvements on the fringes to provide parking and shopping near the old Jax brewery, they have continued to preserve the Quarter in its original form.

It was well before Mardi Gras, but it was obvious the locals were well into plans and preparations for the big parade. It was evident that the police were planning too, for this is one of the major crime capitals of the U.S., and I guess a lot of it goes on during the celebrations. I think we picked a good time to visit.

We crossed Mississippi and Alabama, where casinos are opening left and right. (Louisiana has them on riverboats, and the first "dry land" one has been approved for New Orleans).

Our first night in Florida, where we will be spending some time in one place to unwind, was spent in Panama City Beach with our friends the Wards from the Minden area.

Our visit was cut short when Randy, who is a volunteer firefighter at both places, was called away to an alarm, joined by his wife who has been trained to run the pumps for the crew. Next visit will be at the Clarke's in Donald, I guess.

It's been a fun time, and an interesting experience. Because we've covered a lot of this ground before, I tried to cut down on the snapshots.

Only about 200 this time, instead of the 300 last trip...



Pic of the Past

This week's Pic of the Past shows the Red Barn in Camarvon in 1950. It was built by Bill and Vera Irvine of Niagara Falls (parents of Audrey

Chambers and grandparents of Marie Hodgson of Haliburton.) The restaurant was a popular spot for staff from Sherwood Forest Boys' Camp on Boshkung Lake. The restaurant is now a home in the same spot on Highway 35. Our thanks to Bob Chambers of Toronto for supplying us with the photo and information.

Some walks less enjoyable



**DOWN
OUR ROAD**
SHARON LYNCH

MARIE DIDN'T CARE IF SHE sounded like a frog. Her voice had been thus compared more than once. But she enjoyed singing along with the radio, whether on or off key and that was precisely what she was doing as she sped home to a warm house and warm meal. She had left work at seven o'clock that evening.

Her stomach told her she was hungry and her toes told her she was cold. It was beginning to seem as though 1994 would be the year winter came to Haliburton and refused to leave. More than halfway home now, Marie still had not managed to warm herself completely since getting into the cold car. She turned up the fan on the heater and thought of the supper waiting at the end of this drive. Sometimes, she mused to herself, lasagna held more appeal than a pot of gold.

Then she heard an unusual sound. For just a second she thought it was the radio. Then with dread she turned both it and the heater down to listen more carefully. Thump, thump, thump. Could it be a flat tire? Moving her foot from the accelerator to the brake, Marie gingerly steered the car over to the side of the road. She did not want to get out to confirm her thoughts. But she climbed out into the darkness anyway, dreading what she would find.

At first it was too dark to see the tires clearly.

However as her eyes adjusted she saw that the left rear tire could not have been more flat. Marie thought it was amazingly unjust the way a person's life could so totally change within seconds. She looked around, knowing what she would see.

Marie stood on the shoulder of a dark county road with not a stick of a building or glimmer of electric light within sight. There was however moonlight and this picked out the rock cut, boulders and bush humped close to the roadside. She knew exactly where she was, having driven this way almost daily for years. Which meant she knew how far it was to the nearest inhabited house.

So Marie started walking. She had never changed a tire, though she had seen it done several times. But it was cold and dark and she wanted to go where there would be people and warmth and light. And a phone. She wished she had brought her hat this morning. Going out the door she had thought of it, then decided that with the milder weather it would not be needed. The extra warmth would feel good about now.

Rounding a curve in the road, the space off to her right opened up to reveal a small frozen lake bathed in moonlight. The same silvery glow lit up the bare limbed trees and open road in front and behind her. While one part of her appreciated the beauty of the night scene, another more dominant part began to give off small warnings. This was indeed a very lonely stretch of road. She was totally exposed to whatever should appear. There was nowhere for her to go, to hide or escape should the need arise.

In the winter, there were no animals she need worry about. The bears were hibernating, as were the skunks and the wolves and deer had no desire to get close. It was the two legged animals of whom she was less sure.

Then the "what if's" began. What if a car or truck pulled alongside to offer a ride and she did not know the driver? What if she refused the ride and her refusal was not accepted? What if she did know the driver and accepted? Statistics concerning assailants known to the victim were well publicized and not encouraging. What if she finally reached the house to which she was walking and there was no one home, lights on or not? What if the dog she knew they kept outside decided she was an intruder to be attacked?

Marie continued to walk quickly, trying to think only of the house. Her cold hands and feet would be warmed in the house. Friends lived at the house, friends with a phone. They would be home. They had to be. Their dog would be friendly. No vehicles would meet her on the way to the house. She was almost there. She just had to keep walking as quickly as she could without stumbling. If she stumbled she might sprain her ankle. She had to be careful. Quick but careful. The moonlight shone like a torch upon her and the empty road.

Then she saw the house's light at the bottom of the hill. Her nose had gone numb. Her toes were having trouble feeling the road through her boots. But she didn't stumble as she approached the house. And she was right. They were home. Their dog was friendly. Everything turned out just fine. Luckily.

JrK isn't wanted here

More Letters from Echo Readers

Continued from page 6

during the last provincial election as a member of your NDP government. A good portion of the population lives in rural Ontario. It's high time the government appreciated that fact and did a better job of serving all the people who elected them to power.

Mrs. Janine Harrison,
Minden

Fed up with taxes

The following letter was sent to The Honourable Floyd Laughren, Minister of Finance.

Dear Mr. Laughren,

The federal government backed down in the face of a minority group over the smuggling issue. Then rather than trying to get the provinces together and fight the Feds on that issue, you backed down as well and lowered the taxes on cigarettes. Now you say I am going to have to make up that shortfall. I don't smoke, I didn't want you to drop the tax, and you cannot expect me to pay for your stupidity! I work long and hard for my money, only to see new and old taxes eating it away before I even get to hold it. I am not going to take it anymore!

You're into debt up to your ears, you just blew away millions in cigarette taxes, (how much of the shortfall will you recover in people increasing their smoking and starting again because it's cheaper — you forgot to include that in your report) and the paper says Mr. Rae and Mr. Cooke are going to push Junior Kindergarten down my throat to the tune of at least \$250,00. I don't care if it was an election promise, the facts are we cannot afford Jr. K., we don't want it, and we won't accept it.

We are having a by-election on the 17th of this month and you and your NDP Government are going to be sent a message. The people of Haliburton have had enough of you. If you continue with this absurd plan of Junior Kindergarten, you are going to see a tax revolt by the citizens of

Haliburton, and I hope Ontario, like you have never seen. The education portion of their taxes will not be paid, and I, as a councillor in Haliburton, will make a recommendation NOT to borrow the money to make up the shortage as we cannot afford to borrow it because our transfer payments have been cut so badly. I believe the education system should have to be accountable to the people. One good way to start is for them to collect their own portion of the taxes. We, at the municipality are tired of taking the complaints for the education system!

Robert H. Heinze,
Haliburton Lake

Chamber helps economy

Chamber of Commerce

THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS Chamber of Commerce believes that a series of carefully researched action plans must be followed strategically to attract more visitors to the County and in particular, to our businesses. After all, it will be these visitors who will provide the revenue to allow our businesses to retain and hire new staff, thus reducing what appears to be an ever-increasing welfare case-load. In addition, we believe that it will be a portion of these same visitors who, after recognizing what a wonderful lifestyle this County has to offer, will inject badly needed investment capital into the purchase of homes, cottages and new businesses, in the future.

With the elimination of the county's Planning and Economic Development Department, the Chamber is the only avenue that County Council has, that is mandated and willing to assist the County in its efforts to promote economic growth. We believe that even though the County is facing a difficult period, the time for making the business community a County priority and allocating investment in this County is now. It is crucial that we attract increased revenues from outside the County in order to curb the cycle of repeatedly relying on the spending of local residents for the survival of our business community and the County's fiscal health.

Through the Chamber's 1994 Proposed Operating Plan, we have developed a program that we strongly believe will begin to position this County against the millions of dollars of advertising and promotion that we annually find ourselves competing against from our neighbouring Counties, each of which is presently attracting a far greater share of the tourists than we are. But

this does not have to be the case.

In order to carry out this program it will cost us \$73,700 to operate and administer the Tourist Information Centre on Hwy. 35 in Minden. A further \$134,200 is required for us to carry out all other marketing initiatives. The Chamber is planning to raise funds from the following sources: \$30,000 from membership dues, \$10,000 from membership insurance plan commissions, \$8,500 from product sales, \$20,100 from co-operative advertising and \$50,000 from Destination Guide advertising. As can be seen, the Chamber's volunteer board is proposing to raise \$118,600 (57%) in revenues in 1994 in order to assist in paying for the \$207,900 program that we have proposed, leaving only \$89,300 (43%) as our request to County Council.

The Chamber realizes that County Council has many difficult decisions to make and tasks to perform in 1994. The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is willing to assist County Council in any way possible that will lead to one of the best years in tourism that Haliburton County has ever seen.

*Letters to the editor are
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Atoms split weekend games in semi-finals

Port Carling gives them a run for the top berth

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Nordic News

Among my memories of those days I recall one man in particular. A tall, very kind and rather quiet person that, to those who were lucky enough to know him, personified the word gentleman. He would be in that bush each day, working shoulder to shoulder with resort owners, business people, skiing enthusiasts and others. And when the trails were finally completed, he would once again be out there, only this time he would be grooming those same trails. Yet he had no real reason for being there. He didn't own a resort nor can I ever remember seeing him ski. There was no compensation, financial or otherwise. No, he was there because he was one of the rarest of breeds. We'll miss you Ron Tyler.

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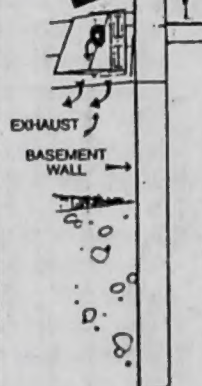
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Wolves rise like a phoenix

Wolves' Quote of the Week: "It's not over, until it's over."

The Central Ontario Wolves were off to a rocky start against Quinte in the Semi-Finals. The first two games were disappointing to the Wolves as they were defeated by Quinte in a best of five series. Quinte came out strong in game 1 and never let up beating the Wolves 4-2.

Scoring for the Wolves were: Mike Patrick, one goal, one assist; Nick Kulas, one goal; Kenny Ablett, one assist.

In the second game, the Wolves took a two-goal lead, only to

have it taken away by the end of the second. When the final buzzer sounds the score was tied at four each. Quinte scored late in the overtime period.

Scoring: Kenny Ablett two goals; Justin Williams, one goal, one assist; Andrew Oke, one goal; Nick Kulas, Corrie West and Cam DeYoung, one assist each.

Like a phoenix, the Wolves rose from the ashes and took the next three games. In Game 3 the Wolves scored one goal in each period, leading the game 3-0 until Quinte broke the shutout at three

minutes left to play.

Scoring: Cam DeYoung, one goal, two assists; Mike Patrick and Corrie West, one goal each; Justin Williams, two assists; Kenny Ablett and Rod Porter, one assist each.

Quinte was no match for the strong Wolves team that travelled to Belleville for Game 4. The Wolves played hard and sure-footed as they put home five goals to Quinte's two.

Scoring: Mike Patrick, two goals; Justin Williams, one goal, three assists; Cam DeYoung, one goal, one assist; Marshall

Kennedy one goal; Rod Porter and André Oke, one assist each.

tough play back and forth was the name of the fifth and deciding game of the series. The Wolves netted the only two goals by the final countdown, gaining another shutout for the team.

Scoring: Shutout Nick Grainger, Cam DeYoung and Red Porter, one goal each; Jason Brumwell and Justin Williams, one assist each.

The next series is against Niagara Falls.

Kinmount taxed dearly in Thursday night action

Wilberforce Oldtimers

by KEN RILEY

THIS MAY COME AS A SHOCK to some of you out there, but Canadians are taxed more than almost anyone else in the industrialized world. Noooo!! Say it ain't so! Yes, it's true, we lucky Canucks are just a hair behind the French (the world's number one money grabbers) in forking over revenue! In the Halcyon days of their youth the players in the W.O.H.L. had to work until June to cover Ottawa's Levys, now the old lads have to toil right up to August! A small price to pay for our well run governments, excellent school systems and our smooth, bump free roads!

Kinmount Maple Leafs paid the taxman (tiremen) dearly when they faced Bancroft Canadian Tire. The Leafs paid a heavy toll as C.T.C. collected 14 to Kinmount's 3. Cashing in for the Bancrofts were Allan Coulas with five, Chip Watson four, Jim Goodwin two, Roger Kellar, Lloyd Peters and Ralph Keeler had one each. Paying the price for the buds were Jim Maxwell, Ward Cryo and John Windrum. C.T.C. would like to thank Mr. Windrum for all his help!

An active first led off game two with Clarkson Plumbers meeting Rainbow Auto Glass. Both teams had a trio of goals; Jim Winn with two and Roy Boughner one for the Plumbers; Stewart Semple, Don Storey and Barry Wannamaker for the Glassmen. Clarkson added two in the second, from Dan Curry and Roger Scheffee. The bows were outscored three to one in the third to end it Plumbers 8 - Rainbow 4. Finishing the goal getting were Winn, to get the hat-trick, Curry with his second and Luke Schell. Tom Armstrong had the lone Rainbow goal.

Game three was taxing for players and fans alike, Haliburton Hawks taking on Apsley. The Apsley's paid their dues in the first two periods as the Hawks jumped into a 5-0 lead. Excising for Haliburton were Bob Woodcock and Pat Wilson with two and Rick Wood with one. In the third Apsley goalie Phil Rusaw staged a tax revolt, shutting down the Hawks and allowing his team to get close. Apsley got three, one each from Kim Dunford, Greg Tucker and Craig Partridge to make the final Hawks 5, Apsley 3 in the end it was clear that Apsley had paid their G.S.T. (Good solid teamwork)!

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Midgets tie Chatsworth

The Haliburton OMHA Midgets started their semi-finals against Chatsworth on the weekend. And what started out as a strong start fizzled in game two, tying the series at one apiece.

On Saturday, Haliburton arrived in Chatsworth ready to stretch their legs after a long car trip. A strong team effort resulted in a 9 to 5 victory for the Huskies.

Leading the scoring were Jackie Morrison with three goals, one assist; Mark Stamp, three goals; Jonathan Bishop, two goals, one assist; Colin Morrison; Tim Keefer, one goal, one assist; Coach Pat Morrison says the defence was outstanding, and

also gives thanks to Roger Bain and Bill Koz for a very controlled game.

It was not so controlled on Sunday, when Chatsworth came to Haliburton and did to the Huskies what the Huskies had done to them in their home town.

The final score was Chatsworth 11, Haliburton 8.

Leading the scoring were Jackie Morrison with three goals, one assist; Colin Morrison with two goals; Curtis Bain with one goal, three assists; Curtis Reynolds, one goal, two assists; Tim Keefer, one goal, one assist; Jonathan Bishop, two assists; Jamie Fryer, two assists; and Andy Billings, one assist.

Carnival goes round the world

Most tourists in 1994 will get where they want to go by travelling in ships or boats, by plane, train or car. The members of the Haliburton Figure Skating Association will be travelling this year too, but not by traditional means.

On Sunday, March 27, 1994 at 2:00 p.m. club members will tour Around the World in '94 on skates. They plan to touch down in London, Paris, Spain, Australia and the U.S.A. Possible side events include a trip on the

Orient Express and a front row seat at a Broadway show. All trips begin at the Dysart Arena in Haliburton.

Join us and our special guests (the Silver Blades precision team, and two teams of pairs skaters - Ian Christianson and Jocelyn Eastmure and Jamie Campbell and Erin Turner) for this exciting event.

Ticket prices for Around the World in '94 are \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students. Preschoolers are admitted free



Glen Bird won \$2,500 for his catch at last Saturday's derby

Derby has prize catch

By LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

\$2,500.

Not bad for half-an-hour's work.

That's how much prize money Glen Bird landed after catching a 5lb 2oz Lake Trout at a fishing tournament on Twelve Mile Lake last Saturday.

The Haliburton angler set up his line at the 10 a.m. start, and caught the eventual winner just before 10.30 a.m.

"It's my first tournament," said Bird. "At least for this kind of money."

The one-day derby was organized by John Hill of Minden Live Bait and Tackle, and was hosted by the Red Umbrella Inn. Bob Patton of North Shore Lawn and Garden Equipment in Minden provided technical assistance, including a John Deere Gator, the utility, all-terrain work machine.

There was a total of \$3,950 in prize money for the 170 contes-

tants who paid \$50 each to enter the derby.

They had just five-and-a-half hours to fish, and some people were still drilling their holes in the ice when the word spread across the lake that Bird had landed a five pounder.

It was a mild, overcast day with a cool wind but the anglers and as many as 100 spectators enjoyed chilli, soups, hamburgers, hot chocolate and coffee on the ice, provided by the Red Umbrella Inn.

Not everyone was catching but they were having fun.

Brenda Ellis from Haliburton, fishing with friends and her sister Nancy Trotter who came down from Sudbury, said she hadn't caught anything "Just a cold" but was having a good day anyway.

Kim Creamer, who operates the Red Umbrella with co-owner Rick Tustin and associate Bruce Walker, said the Inn would like to make the derby an annual event on the county's calendar.

Novice Bs wow Bancroft to win tournament

The Haliburton Novice Bs travelled to Bancroft on Saturday, Mar. 12 to play in their annual Novice tournament. The Huskies were a late fill in as one of the teams scheduled to play dropped out. This ended up being bad news for the other teams, as they would have to tend with the Huskies now.

The Huskies' first game was against Kauffield Plumbing & Heating of Bancroft. Haliburton came out flying and scored three first period goals. Matthew Brown got the ball rolling with an unassisted goal. Then two minutes later Cory Sisson increased it to 2-0 with an unassisted goal. The Huskies went up 3-0 when Cory tipped in a shot from the point by Adam Tomlinson.

In the second period Bancroft narrowed the gap by scoring two quick goals, but the Huskies replied with two of their own.

Ryan Goldenberg scored on a set up by Joel Cooper and Adam. Cory got his hat-trick goal on a beautiful set up by Cory Poole and Jeff Packard. Matthew Marlin scored the only goal of the third period on a pass from Joel Cooper. Cory Sisson earned MVP honors for the game.

In game two the Huskies met Bancroft IGA and the Huskies scored first again with Joel Cooper finding the mark on a nice solo effort. Bancroft tied the game up before the first period ended.

The Haliburton boys kept the pressure on and it paid off with two goals in the second period. Adam Tomlinson blasted one in from the point as Matthew Marlin won the draw and fed it back to Adam, the second one of the period was that of Ryan Goldenberg on a set up by Cory Sisson and Adam Tomlinson to make the score 3-1.

Adam Tomlinson rounded out the scoring on a goal almost identical to his first one but this time it was Matthew Brown winning the draw and getting the puck to Adam. Ryan Hutson earned MVP honors with his solid work between the pipes.

With the win it was a trip to the "A" championship but I guess you probably know who the Huskies had to play. Yes your right another Bancroft team, this one named O.P.S.E.U.

This game was the best of the day with the fans on their feet the whole game and you could see the odd fan chewing their nails and maybe some knuckles.

Ryan Goldenberg scored less than 1-1/2 minutes into the game. Little did we know that it would be the game winner as Ryan "Little Cat" Hutson stood on his head making unbelievable saves. One Bancroft player came in on a clear cut breakaway but the deke

on Ryan went to throw the puck in the open side but before he could raise his stick up, a paw (actually his goalstick) came out of thin air and stopped the puck from going in the net. As Ryan Hutson kept on the goal tending clinic, Ryan Goldenberg added an insurance goal as he banged in the rebound of a Joel Cooper

The Huskies skated away with "A" championship on a hard fought 2-0 win. Garrett Pockett earned the MVP honors for the championship game. A couple of players who didn't get on score but were a big part in the team's success were Adam Hutson and Garrett Pockett who know the meaning of team play. Ryan Hutson had a special day as he won a MVP award, had a shutout, and was part of a championship team. He also won an Easton Aluminum Hockey stock and had an incredible 1.00 goals against average.

In Friday night's Novice C game in Haliburton, one of Cannington's players tries to take the puck away from Chris Jung. The Huskies played well, but lost the game 2-1



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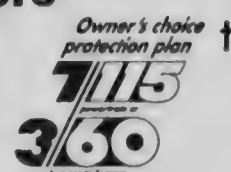
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The school budget – getting down to zero

The school board faces a 1994-95 budget of \$17,566,285 – an increase of 6.95 per cent over last year. Last month the administration proposed cuts of half a million dollars to bring the increase down to 3.9 per cent or a \$636,340 increase over last year. But taxpayers have said they want a zero increase. So the administration took another look at the figures and came up with a new package of escalating cuts that would – if approved by the board – result in a zero budget increase for this year. Here are the proposed cuts.

Net budget increase = \$636,000 = 3.9% CUT: • maintenance \$50,000 • one custodian \$30,000 • all in-county special transportation \$15,000 • photocopy usage \$10,000 • family studies and design and technology } \$10,000 • occas. teacher pay \$16,000 • occas. teacher use \$30,000 = \$475,000 2.9% increase	+	Net budget increase = \$475,000 = 2.9% CUT: • bus route lengths, children to walk up to 1km. \$30,000 • professional development \$10,000 • 0.5 custodian \$15,000 • all out-of-county busing \$5,000 • computer initiative \$50,000 • four educational assistants \$40,000 = \$325,000 2.0% increase	+	Net budget increase = \$325,000 = 2.0% CUT: • broad based technology \$36,000 • 0.7 teacher at Gooderham \$14,000 • all of fed./provincial infrastructure program \$105,000 = \$170,000 1.0% increase	+	Net budget increase = \$170,000 = 1.0% CUT: • all of comp. initiative \$50,000 • all broad-based technology \$64,000 • all extra-curr. travel \$20,000 • late bus \$6,000 • 1.5 teachers \$30,000 = \$0 0% increase	= 0
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Proposed cuts would mean no tax increase – but there's a cost

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only .5 custodial staff increase to handle the new 36,000 sq.ft. Archie Stouffer addition. A re-organization could include service cutbacks, including the daily cleaning of the board's office to every other day).
The cuts would also eliminate the computer purchase initiative for a saving of \$100,000, the family studies and design and technology programs (\$10,000), and the broad-based technology program (\$64,000).
Superintendent of Education Dale Robinson said the administration's priority had been the

least possible impact on the students. That dictated the order of the cuts.
Asking children to walk farther to a school bus wasn't considered as harmful as eliminating the remaining computer initiative or cutting the extra curricular travel, which came further down the list.
"The research shows one of the essential ingredients of a good school is extra curricular activities. One of the reasons we have a good high school is we provide transportation (for after school activities)."
Administration estimates showed a \$10,000 saving if bus

routes were shortened by making students walk farther to pick-up points. Peterborough and Victoria County school boards have adopted a similar policy.
Other transportation cuts would end the late bus program that allows students to take part in after-school programs (\$6,000), eliminate buses for visits to other schools and study trips (\$20,000), and stop paying for all travel for sports, music and other extra curricular programs (\$20,000).
The total transportation bill last year was \$1,735,000.
While the trustees struggle to

get expenditures under control, they still don't know what their revenues will be. The provincial government has said it will

announce education grants next month.
The management committee will meet again on April 12 to

discuss the proposed cuts.
The committee is scheduled to present its final budget proposal to the full board on April 26.

Trustees fear cuts, look for alternatives

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter
Faced with budget reductions that would cut to the heart of Haliburton's education system, some school trustees have expressed qualms about trying for a zero budget increase.
"It scares the hell out of me," said Stanhope trustee LeRoy Eager. "If we get to zero this year what's next year's increase going to be – 25 per cent?"
Other trustees worried about the effect of program cuts on the quality of education and the character of the schools.
Glamorgan trustee Craig Pettit said the elimination of the family studies program and funding for the broad based technology initiative would be a step backwards.
"Family studies, to me, was the first step in getting boys into the kitchen and girls into the workshop. It's in line with the broad-based technology initiative."
Broad-based technology would require all Grade 9 students to

work in every technological program available – from computer design to carpentry. It's designed to promote skilled trades and help students make an informed course selection for their Grade 10 studies.
This year is the last chance for the board to get partial funding of the initiative, and some trustees worried about missing out on an opportunity to get "free money".
But Dysart trustee Wayne Wood disagreed.
"It's not free when we can't afford it."
The elimination of busing for extra curricular activities – sport meets, music recitals, etc. – and the late bus for after-school programs could change the character of the schools.
"Sooner or later you cut into the spirit of the school and what school is all about," said business administrator Jim Bradley.
Dysart et al trustee Len Salvatori asked why the cuts couldn't be made in other areas. He reminded trustees this was only a list of suggestions.

He asked about cutting back on teachers' class preparation time by 50 per cent. The time could be used to replace absent teachers, saving on the use of supply teachers.
Bradley estimated half the prep-time equivalent of 13 teachers would be six teachers at \$60,000 each.
The administration said it had concentrated the proposed cuts in areas that trustees could decide on without any outside negotiations.
Director of Education Brad Saunders said there were also other factors to consider in Salvatori's suggestion.
"This board's word on that issue (preparation time) is what's at stake."
He said the price to be paid for renegotiating could be the good relationship built up with teachers over the years.
"Can it be done? Yes. Will it save money. Yes. Is it desirable? That's for you to make up your mind," he told the trustees.

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Taxpayers Coalition wants referendum on amalgamation

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When you vote in November's municipal election, you might be asked a question.

As well as putting your X in the various boxes, would you agree to amalgamate some municipalities, or even if you prefer a much stronger county government.

The request for the referendum came from the Haliburton County Taxpayers Coalition at Wednesday's county budget meeting. One-tier government was targeted as a cost-saving measure in the Steve Wace report on efficiency. One-tier government would transfer power from the municipalities to the county; amalgamation may create four municipalities instead of the existing 10.

"If this is considered we could certainly save a substantial amount of dollars," says the Coalition's Mike Kitchman. He also congratulated the county for opening up the budget process.

Stanhope Deputy-reeve Eleanor Harrison said "I don't think Mr. Wace spent enough time delving into it. I'm not sure there's

enough information so people would vote with the knowledge of what would happen."

Lutterworth's reeve, Cam Ecclestone, agreed. "He only took two days to come up with the \$1.5-million saving. I don't think he really got into the nuts and bolts."

For council to make a decision, Ecclestone says there would have to be "some real, hard numbers" for everyone to consider.

Glamorgan Reeve Bev MacDuff has publicly said she's in strong support of amalgamation. Small municipalities are finding it hard to survive with decreases in funding and increases in responsibility. "I think it's a must or the provincial government will do it for us."

Throwing out a challenge to the coalition, Snowdon Reeve George Simmons suggested that two committees be formed. One would be against amalgamation and/or one-tier government; the other would be for it. There would be a debate at a public forum in August so people could better make a decision in November. Simmons volunteered to sit on the "yes" side.

Kitchman also asked about the costs of the county library system. With the addition at Archie Stouffer school, wouldn't it have been wise to combine the Minden library with the school library.

The libraries are paid for by two different taxes, but Kitchman said "there's only one taxpayer. I would love a turbo-charged Buick in my garage but I don't think it's practical."

County librarian Joel Levis said that he has talked with the school board about any possible sharing initiatives, and the discussions are ongoing. "It's not a dead issue."

MacDuff wondered how the amalgamation would affect grants. As well, students in Gooderham often walk down the hill to visit the Glamorgan library. "I'd rather them come down the hill than bus them to Haliburton."

As well, people who work all day need the libraries to be open at night. If libraries were at the schools, would the school have to hire someone to open and close the school? Would classes be disrupted if people visited the library during the day?



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Minden forges ahead with infrastructure program

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The following are reports of items discussed at the March 10 meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

We'll take it

Council approved an application for funding under the federal/provincial infrastructure program. It requires the municipality to contribute a portion of the funding and Reeve Bern Berry said careful planning meant AHM could participate. "It's a credit to staff and previous councils as well that we can apply," said Berry. "With hard work we have built up reserves" enough to cover the funding.

The application seeks backing for \$984,000 in infrastructure projects. They are expansion of the municipal office \$424,000, riverbank restoration \$170,000, sewer and water system upgrades \$110,000, replacing major culverts \$60,000, construction on the Bobcaygeon Road \$200,000 and repairing the vil-

lage tennis court \$20,000. Council passed a resolution at the same time authorizing Triton Engineering to proceed with the office expansion design as a step towards tendering for the work to begin.

"It will improve the infrastructure and create jobs. I'm proud to be a part of it," said Berry.

More good news...

The Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Recreation has approved an application for \$6,000 to move the Hindon school house to the Museum in the village. The museum has already raised their 50 per cent share of the project. The money was applied for under the provincial government's community development component of jobsOntario.

... And free skating

The recreation centre arena will be open for free public skating every day this week except Saturday. The opening, during March break, was made possible with the help of the Kinettes who are sponsoring the Tuesday,

Thursday and Friday events. The skating hours are 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

New Home Warranties

Cardiff Township sought support for its resolution opposing the provincial government's New Home Warranties Plan Act. As of March 1 it requires a "qualified professional" to certify all private sewage disposal systems.

The new rules have been opposed by the construction industry because they will add as much as \$3,000 to the cost of building a home. They have called for the certification to be done by local health inspectors.

In the discussion on the proposal Anthon said she felt there must be a need for the regulations and that consumers needed to be protected. She didn't like the idea of an outright rejection of the plan.

But Councillor Lewis Stevens said it was necessary to overstate the case just to slow down the provincial government and make it think about what they are doing. The motion to support Cardiff's resolution was passed with Anthon voting against it.

Thanks to the county

Berry said he was pleased to receive a donation of \$1,000 from the county for the use of Minden facilities for county council meetings. The council doesn't have a permanent home and has used the community centre for its monthly meetings. Berry took the opportunity to thank the arena staff for their work on the meeting room.

Clothing give away

Two women with an interest in providing clothing to needy families appeared before council looking for a place to set up shop. Judith Merritt and Sandra Patenaude said they are a non-profit organization that has found a supplier of used clothing and also a need for the clothing in the Minden area.

The councillors said they would do what they could to help by trying to locate a suitable place and directed the women to the many social service agencies in the county. Anyone with a possible location can contact the organizers at 286 6788.

More money talk

The Minister of Municipal Affairs has advised all municipalities that there will be still further delays in announcing the amount of unconditional grants. The letter from the minister said the federal budget wasn't good news for Ontario because it isn't getting its fair share of transfer funds and has lost revenue with the cuts in cigarette taxes. He said the government would be doing "everything possible to mitigate the impact...with which all levels of government must cope."

Domtar revisited

The road dust suppressant known as black liquor has been reclassified by Domtar as a product, not a waste, meaning it passed stringent government safety regulations.

Black liquor has been provided free to municipalities but Domtar could now charge for it if they want. They haven't said they will do so. The new "product" now called Trisol, has been recommended by the roads committee

for use on a test section of Soyer's Lake Road. The use of black liquor was the subject of an acrimonious debate between council and the lake association last summer. Council eventually cancelled its use on that road.

Salaries defended

At county council's meeting on Wednesday, Michael Kitchman of the Haliburton County Taxpayers Coalition questioned Minden council's wisdom in granting staff a 2.5% raise. He said the money would be better spent on services.

Berry defended the increase. Because of the social contract, the municipality cut two staff positions, placing a bigger burden on remaining staff. And thanks to the staff's hard work, Berry says they expect a surplus, and a budget increase "very close" to zero percent.

"Our wages are not excessive," Berry said. "You have a good council, you have good employees, and I stand with them."

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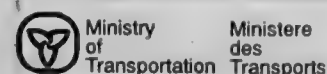
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by Susan Wilson

SOMETIMES THE UNIVERSE comes to you... Anne Swarbrick, Minister of Culture, Tourism, and Recreation, was in Haliburton on March 2nd and 3rd. She had her "Tourism" hat on to meet with people in the local tourism business and her "Recreation" hat on to hand out some money for a trails network. Since, in her "Culture" hat, Swarbrick is the minister who will be receiving our letters and petitions about getting access to the TVOntario signal, this was an opportunity too good to miss.

Swarbrick and I had the chance to talk for several minutes after the meeting at the high school on the Wednesday night. She listened intently, asked the right questions, and made sure that her special assistant took notes.

Swarbrick was also accompanied by Dan Waters, MPP for Georgian Bay/Muskoka and Parliamentary Assistant for her portfolio. She made sure I met him too and we agreed that I would send Waters a letter explaining our situation, setting out what we plan to do, and asking how we can help them make a favourable decision.

Waters also told me that, on that very day, Swarbrick had had a graphic personal example of what it's like to be cut off from the electronic world. As they were driving across the Vankoughnet Road from Bracebridge on Wednesday afternoon, she was talking with her staff back in Toronto on her cellular phone. As they approached the county line, Waters told her she'd better wind up her conversation — she was about to be cut off for a while by the lack of hardware up ahead.

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Funny Face (1957), starring Audrey Hepburn and Fred Astaire, is on at 10:00 a.m. *Passport to Pimlico* (1949) with Stanley Holloway and Margaret Rutherford airs at noon. The final film in the marathon is *The Wages of Fear* (1955), a French melodrama starring Yves Montand, per-

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On the CAMPAIGN TRAIL



NDP a strong voice for rural Ontario

by ART FIELD
NDP

I would like to serve as your MPP because I feel that rural communities need a strong voice at Queen's Park. I was very happy to hear that our government agrees with this priority as is demonstrated with the recent announcement that the Ministry of Agriculture and Food will now be expanded to include Rural Affairs.

After working for General Motors for 35 years, I now own and operate a small business in Little Britain. While at GM, I was actively involved in the CAW, serving on the political education committee for 25 years and now Member at Large of the Retirees Chapter. I'm also President of the Little Britain Junior C. Hockey Team and Chair of the Save the Bank Committee of Little Britain. My wife Aileen and I have raised three children and have enjoyed living in Victoria County for more than 35 years. Serving on Mariposa Township Council has certainly helped me appreciate the needs of our community.

When the NDP took office in 1990, the worst recession since the 1930's had just hit Canada. Job losses and plant closures spelled hardships for hundreds of thousands of Ontarians.

Our government has responded by dramatically expanding support for worker training and adjustment, and by sustaining and creating 300,000 jobs. Our government has undertaken the most ambitious capital investment and job creation program anywhere in North America. Here is what it means for Victoria-Haliburton:

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- JobsOntario Homes will build 40 housing units for seniors and



Art Field

families in Kinmount and 18 housing units for families in Lindsay. These projects will mean 104 jobs for our riding.

- Throughout the area, 274 people have been hired through JobsOntario Training. Instead of collecting welfare, these people are now receiving valuable on-the-job training.

Both the Liberals and the Conservatives have said they would eliminate all of the JobsOntario programs. How would that help us?

The NDP knows that governments have to do more with less. We've heard the message from taxpayers. That's why that from the time we took office in 1990/91 through to 1992/93, the cost of government operations for the province of Ontario were reduced by more than 11%. Last year alone, the Ontario government cut 4 billion dollars in government spending through the expenditure control plan. The Social Contract saved another 2 billion dollars. These were tough choices. The alternatives were even worse. Bob Rae and the NDP have a management record I'm proud of.

These are signs that the economy is restructuring and rebuilding. The business climate in Ontario is improving. I am proud of the way Bob Rae has stood up for Ontario — we have built the infrastructure that is going to help put Ontario back to work. I would like to help get the job done.

On this page, the candidates vie for Echo readers' votes...
Why vote for me

Jobs created when PCs cut red tape

by CHRIS HODGSON
Progressive Conservative

At the outset of this campaign, I identified jobs as the number one issue. I believe that lasting jobs can be generated by eliminating the obstacles to employment. If we cut the bureaucratic red tape, spend more wisely and reduce consumer taxes, I'm confident that we can restore economic stability to this province, and in particular to Victoria and Haliburton Counties, where small business fires the economic engine.

Fewer taxes ... smarter spending ... less red tape ... more jobs — our strategy is a realistic, straight-forward approach, based on your input.

While job creation continues to be the most important issue to electors in this riding, credibility is also an important factor. If you have been following the campaign, you will have noticed that the Liberals and New Democrats are now attempting to mimic our ideas. The Lyn McLeod Liberals, in particular, have thrown together a hasty platform for job creation that sounds too familiar.

Who, then, are we to believe? Bob Rae's NDP government tried out all of their ideas over the past three years and the results have been disastrous. Taxes have risen, the debt has continued to climb and unemployment is still a very serious problem.

Before Mr. Rae, it was David Peterson's free-spending Liberals who began this decade of lost confidence. They did not spend wisely. They did not cut taxes. They did not create jobs. Instead, they offered massive spending and tax increases and the onset of special interest group control of your tax dollars.

Mr. Peterson is gone now, only to be replaced by a new leader in Lyn McLeod. This new leader is hoping we'll forget that she was an important part of the problem. Her promise of jobs for Victoria-Haliburton is incredible when you consider she was the Minister of Natural Resources who stood in the way of the proposed sale of Martin Lumber in Harcourt. Her interference in this deal crushed 400 jobs in and around the county.

I want to be part of a government that understands there must be rewards for effort. I want to help restore the confidence, prosperity and ethics that once made this province Canada's economic powerhouse. I want to be a part



Chris Hodgson

of a government that will begin the process of rebuilding the visions of former Premier Leslie Frost.

On March 17, I ask you to consider what you want for Ontario. If you're happy with the government of the past decade, vote Liberal or NDP. If, however, you want real change — if you want progress, elect Chris Hodgson.

Libertarians would reduce taxes, gov't

By RON HAWKRIGG
Libertarian

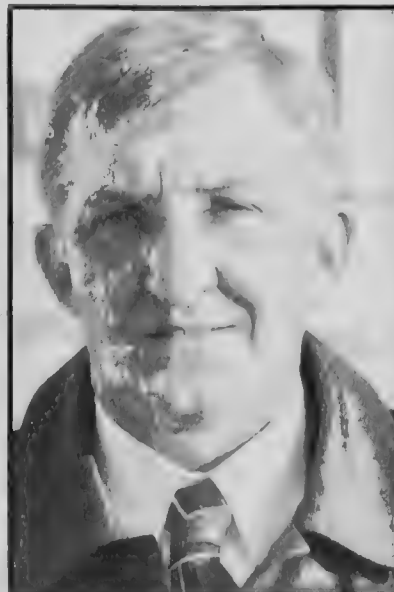
I suppose that being able to state that I have sat on committee this or board that would, in some minds, mean I would be a good MPP. I mean, that is usually what you hear or read about at election time, isn't it?

Well the fact is, I have not. I ran in the last provincial election and that's about it. However, that is not to say that I am not well aware of the problems and issues that face Victoria/Haliburton. I live here and work here too. My own job security has been drastically reduced over the last few years and like everyone else I feel like I am being "taxed to death".

I would like to let you know that I am a dedicated, hard working and foremost, honest man. I am well informed of our county's issue and have stated several times throughout this campaign, that the only way to get back on track in this province is to reduce taxes, reduce government and its intervention into our lives, whether it be business or personal.

Representing the people of Victoria/Haliburton would be an honour. I would be proud to take our issues and concerns to Queen's Park, and make sure they were addressed promptly.

Someone who has determination and perseverance has to represent us, someone who will not take no for an answer, and someone who will no longer allow Queen's Park to treat our counties as if they were the "tail end of the dog". Plain old common sense is needed if we are going to turn our economy around. I believe that I have those qualities and nothing would deter me from my goal of reviving our once booming tourist industry therefore creating a dynamic upsurge of small



Ron Hawkrigg

business. These are the businesses that will provide an economic recovery in our area, certainly not jobs created by government yet paid for by taxpayers.

I also want to see that our seniors who are living on fixed incomes are safe in their knowledge of knowing their pensions which they worked hard for all their lives are secure. After working for 45-50 years why should they see an increase of taxes continue to eat away at what little they actually have?

It is time for change, serious productive change. It is time to stand up and say 'no more' to increased taxes and increased government.

That is why I am running in this by-election. It was no longer enough to grumble and groan and yet still do as I was told, like an errant child. I want to make a difference, and I hope you'll give me the chance.

Last fall Canadians sent a strong message to the Federal government. It is our opportunity to now send one to Queen's Park.

The Candidates

There are six candidates competing for the Victoria-Haliburton seat at Queen's Park. On this page four of those candidates tell you, in their own words, why you should vote for them.

Two other candidates joined the campaign in its final weeks and will also be on the ballot. They are:

JOHN TREMEL (Abolitionist)

Tremel is from Nepean, Ontario. His party, which also fielded eight candidates in the federal election last October, believes that Canada should return to the barter system to solve its economic problems. He promotes a computer program called LETS, which he says will help people keep track of their trades. His party also advocates ending the banking system, thereby eliminating the need to pay interest.

BRAD BRADAMORE

Bradamore is a resident of Kinmount and the former by-law officer and building inspector for the municipality of Anson, Hindon, Minden. He has not provided the Echo with any details on his campaign platform.

Liberals have common sense policies

by SHARON MCCRAE
Liberal

The past fifteen years I have spent on municipal council in Victoria County, my time on the Kawartha District Health Council and my experience on the economic development council have proven to me that we need a strong voice at Queen's Park to speak for Victoria and Haliburton.

After nine years of Brian Mulroney in Ottawa and nearly four years of the NDP at Queen's Park, Ontario is demanding common sense leadership which places job creation policies as the top priority. Nowhere is that need for policies which help local businesses prosper and grow more widely felt than here at home in Victoria and Haliburton.

In Victoria and Haliburton we have seen the results of the combination of Mulroney and Rae first-hand. Record unemployment, soaring costs of government and the health care and education services we all need and value are being threatened.

Clearly we can't solve our problems with more taxes. That approach has been tried, has failed and we have to move on. It is time to get our house in



Sharon McCrae

order. In this election campaign, I am fighting for basic principles and common sense alternatives to the old-style politics.

- Jobs must be the number one priority for any government. This means working with businesses to reduce the burdens of government in Ontario and here in Victoria and Haliburton to help them compete and grow right here at home.

- We must get the costs of government and deficits under control. But let's be clear, this doesn't mean more taxation, it means less. It means cutting the layers of waste and duplication and concentrating on real priorities that benefit everyone equally

rather than a few special interests.

- I believe the old saying, "If you have your health, you have everything" is right. That's why I am dedicated to policies which will preserve health for all of us by ensuring our rights to timely, effective care throughout Victoria and Haliburton.

- Our seniors deserve respect and dignity for the lifetimes of work they have put into making our communities a better place to live. This means protecting them from the user fees on health care and drugs which the Conservatives are proposing, because I don't believe our elderly should have to pay a tithe every time they are sick.

- Our children are our future. I can't put it any more clearly than that. We owe it to our children to give them an education that will prepare them for that future and for the job market they will face. That's why I am committed to making sure Ontario's children are equipped with the best reading, writing and math skills anywhere in the world.

I believe I have the experience to speak strongly at Queen's Park on behalf of our priorities here in Victoria and Haliburton. With your support on March 17th, I will go on doing just that.

This week

Construction workers drill candidates

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Almost half the unemployed people in Haliburton County are from the construction industry — an industry that traditionally pays good wages and brings wealth into the community.

The loss of those jobs, and the continuing stagnation in the county's economy, were reasons enough for the Haliburton County Homebuilders Association to invite the by-election candidates to meet its members on March 7.

"Forty per cent of the unemployed in Haliburton County are from the construction industry," Gary Burch, the association's president, told the four candidates who accepted the invitation. "What is your party going to do to get the construction industry going again?"

Chris Hodgson (PC), Art Field (NDP) Sharon McCrae (Liberal) and a new candidate on the by-election scene, John Turmel (Abolitionist), fielded questions for almost two hours from the 30 people in the construction trade who showed up at Mattsson's Country Club in Carnarvon.

The questions focused on over-regulation and the burden of small business taxes that hound the industry.

After the meeting Burch said he was pleased with the results.

"We sent them a package of information with our invitation. You can tell who did their homework."

"We're looking for people who understand (the construction industry) rather than the answers. If people are willing to listen and have the resources to find the answers, that's all we're looking for."

The meeting threatened to dis-

solve into farce at the start when Turmel read a poem about ants for his opening remarks, and then tried to flog a computer software program.

When he tried the sales pitch again in the first round of answers, Burch challenged him, asking if he was just there to sell software.

After that Turmel settled down, giving basically the same answer to each question. Get rid of bankers, get rid of interest payments, take over the money-making machinery. The software explained how to do it.

With Archie Stouffer school principal Peter Forgrave as moderator, the candidates got an opportunity to address each question and then gave their closing remarks.

Burch began by telling the candidates that government has to focus more on the loss of jobs in the construction industry.

"If one G.M. plant closes that's front page news. There's 100,000 unemployed in the construction industry — that's 28 G.M. plants."

The candidates said the answer was to make it easier to create jobs.

Hodgson said municipalities need provincial planning policies that recognize the different needs of rural areas, without burdening them with legislation.

McCrae said the answer was an Official Plan (Haliburton County doesn't have one) that would be the basis of an economic strategy, and a rural voice in Queen's Park. Field said the federal government's G.S.T. was a problem but the NDP government was helping the industry by funding low-income housing in Minden and Kinmount.

High taxes for small businesses and a mountain of paperwork to respond to government legisla-



Candidates (from right) Brad Bradamore (Abolitionist), Chris Hodgson (PC), Sharon McCrae (Liberal) and Art Field (NDP) at the Haliburton County Homebuilders Association debate.

tion were also sore points with the builders.

Hodgson said mismanagement by the province was wasting tax money instead of helping workers. He mentioned the "Taj Mahal" — the new headquarters for the Workers' Compensation Board, built when Toronto has a 20 per cent office vacancy rate and the W.C.B. is in financial difficulty. He said the PCs would also move to decrease the tax burden on small businesses.

He criticized the NDP for increasing the amount of small business legislation in the middle of a recession. "Where's the sense in it?" he asked.

The Liberals are also moving to progressively decrease the tax burden, said McCrae but Field argued taxes were necessary to

pay for health care and to help injured workers. He said regulations protect consumers from "unsavoury" workers. The W.C.B. payments hadn't gone up very much, said Field. But he was challenged by a member of the audience who said his contributions had gone up seven per cent.

"Well, you know better than I do," said Field.

McCrae suggested the industry might consider a self-funding compensation association that would be much cheaper than the W.C.B. but Hodgson said the construction industry carried too high a job injury risk to make that feasible.

"The problem is mismanagement. Let's clean it up first before we think about opting out."

Some builders have seen a ray of hope in the federal-provincial infrastructure program and Burch asked the candidates how voters could ensure the money went to expand the road and sewer systems that promote development, not to make-work projects.

McCrae said it should be the responsibility of the developer to put in services for a new subdivision.

"The rest of the taxpayers shouldn't have to bear the burden," said McCrae.

"If we'd taken that attitude we wouldn't have anyone up here," retorted Hodgson. He said the infrastructure money should be spent on sewage systems and roads, "the things that create future wealth".

In Politics

Last week's story about PC candidate Chris Hodgson quoted an Environics poll which was taken before the by-election was called.

The poll put Hodgson well behind the Liberals, but his campaign manager says the gap has been considerably widened.

On Sunday, Andrew Hodgson said "from what we can see, we find it's neck and neck."

There was a strong showing at last week's advance polls in Haliburton. And although Hodgson had been told the contrary, you cannot vote at the returning office at Stedman's mall. The by-election is March 17.

In a Globe and Mail article, while touring Bobcaygeon with Hodgson, PC leader Michael Harris said he supported Premier Ralph Klein's cost cutting measures in Alberta.

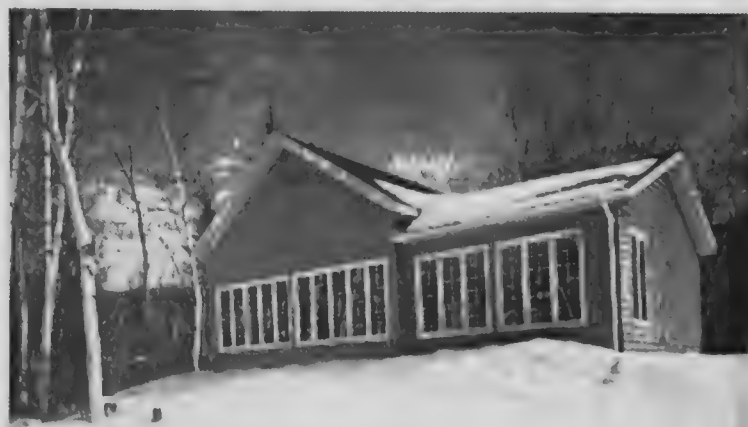
The local PC campaigners say that the Liberals are twisting this to mean there will be huge cuts in provincial spending if the PCs are elected.

In a letter to the editor, Harris says "I take their attack as a badge of honour. Alberta has launched a courageous reform drive against government waste and mismanagement."

An overwhelming number of Canadians applaud and admire that province's efforts... (The key to Chris Hodgson's campaign) is an assault on government waste, which will ensure that our hard-earned tax dollars are spent wisely on the priority areas of health and education."

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Students get top marks for tough questions

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Report

The questions were tough, and "fluffy" answers weren't tolerated. Jobs, hospitals, welfare cheats, party philosophy — just about everything was on the agenda at a meeting of OAC students and Liberal party candidate Sharon McCrae last Tuesday.

McCrae brought her party leader to the meeting with 30 students in Frank Wallace's Canadian History class, but the presence of Lyn McLeod didn't intimidate the youthful voters.

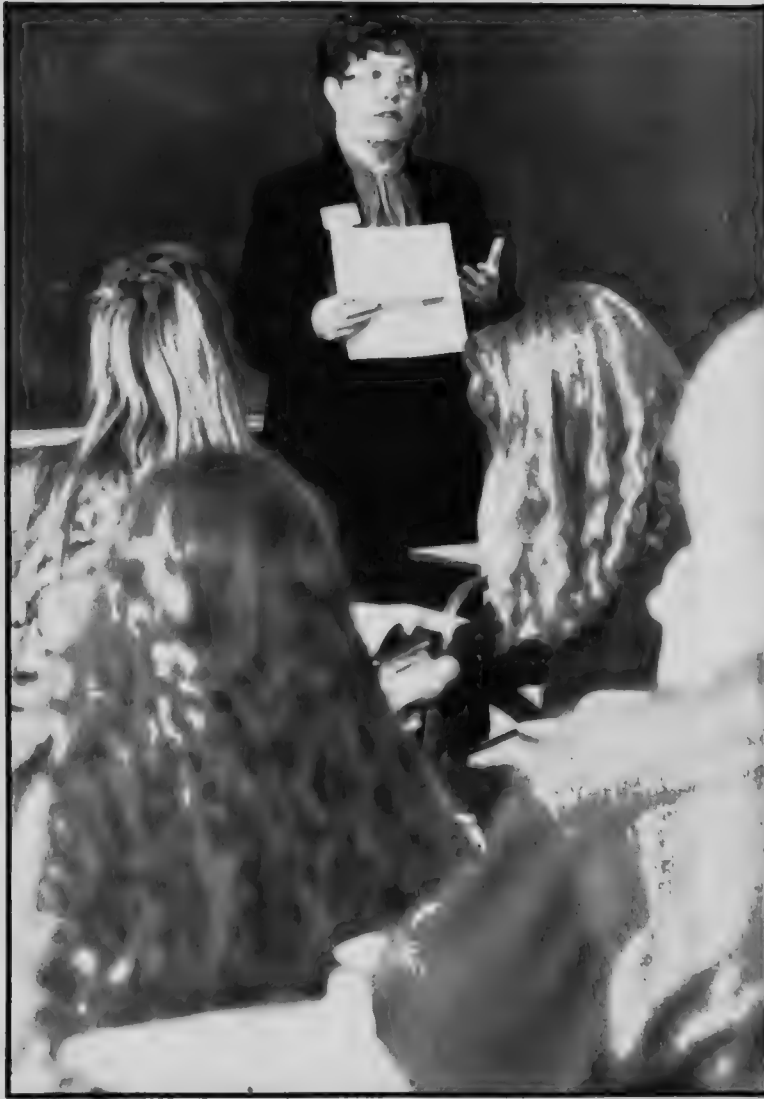
With just 10 days to go to the Victoria-Haliburton by-election, the students wanted answers.

McCrae got off to a rocky start, lecturing the students on the need for them to show a commitment to their education.

"If you are ready to participate, we're ready to give you every opportunity. I've made a commitment to this community...Young people today particularly have to realize you have to have a commitment to your education."

The response from the students was to ask McCrae, who is a resident of Victoria County, "What exactly are your commitments to Haliburton County, specifically?"

Later in the meeting she said her party would be looking to the well-educated students of the future for ideas on how to solve



Liberal candidate Sharon McCrae faced some tough questions from HHSS OAC students in Haliburton last week. Young voters asked McCrae how she would help them pay for their education.

problems like landfill site locations.

But students disagreed. "Those going in to government should have ideas in place. Why are you waiting for us to get out of school?"

"Are things going to stagnate or would your government take command of things?"

McLeod smoothed things over by saying the Liberal Party needed the input of voters, and was getting it by travelling the province "But having listened we'll put the plans in place. That's what we're in the process of doing."

McCrae fielded questions on a range of issues.

Junior kindergarten.

"The solution to problems in the community should be solved by that community." She acknowledged the Liberals had originated the program in their last government but said it couldn't be forced on boards now that the money isn't available.

Casinos. (Casinos? Someone asked if the Liberals would allow them if they brought jobs and money to Haliburton).

"If it's what the community wants I don't think government should interfere in starting up a business. The free market will determine if it's successful."

Tourism.

McCrae said Victoria County

had a tourism co-ordinator working for the county and a similar post in Haliburton County could boost marketing.

Hospitals and distribution of beds.

"The walls came down in Germany. We don't want a wall going up between any communities in Ontario." She supported a long-term care facility in the county but "this whole community has to decide the priorities of the county. I'll be there to lobby with you."

Waste management.

"We have to have a master plan" but "science and technology are changing so quickly I can't tell you today what would be appropriate in two years."

Lower gas taxes.

"If we reduce taxes we have to find a replacement." Poor roads and poor signs would drive away tourists.

University education grants.

"If students are paying attention to their studies and doing a good job there should be grants available. Now, if one month after (getting the grant) you're not attending classes then I'm going to be a might concerned. There's got to be a commitment there."

Why pick on students' fees? We're the most vulnerable.

"I don't know if you are as vul-

nerable as those past their earning power."

McLeod also took a series of hard-nosed questions.

Retraining.

For what — to learn how to be unemployed?

"You need training, but you're right. The jobs have to be available." The Liberals will create a climate to start new businesses.

It's too easy to collect welfare. Why?

"We know there are cases of abuse in the system but it's a relatively small number. Studies suggest 65 per cent of the people on welfare are kids. Ninety per cent, maybe more, would really rather be working. We have to reform the welfare system. There's no doubt there's a trap of welfare."

Violence in schools.

"Theses are tough times...there's a lot of anger out there...We have to do far more about bringing all community resources in at an early stage."

Party philosophies. What are the differences?

The Liberal party is "very much of the middle ground. We support social programs, but we need a strong economy in order to support those social programs." She suggested looking at the parties issue by issue to determine ideology.

We need student grants:

Main issue is whether post-secondary education is affordable

by KEITH MCKELVEY
HHSS Co-op Student

In the past it has been said that if you don't vote, you can't complain. OAC students and some grade twelve students at HHSS are finding they are eligible to vote this year in the upcoming by-election, and have some major concerns with how the government is treating them.

Frank Wallace, a history teacher at HHSS, invited some candidates into the school to visit an OAC history class. Among them were Art Field and Chris Hodgson who visited on March 4, Sharon McCrae with Liberal provincial party leader Lyn McLeod (who unveiled her educational platform at the school) on March 8, and Brad Bradamore on March 10. Mr. Wallace said he would have invited in the other candidates if he had had phone numbers.

Having the candidates at the school gave the students an idea of who the individuals were, what they were like, and where they stood on certain topics concerning the students.

Mr. Wallace says being aware is really important before voting. The sessions at the school were like mini meet-the-candidates meetings. Many smart questions were asked by the students in the class, which kept the candidates on their toes. Mr. Wallace said that there was really a wide variety of reactions from the students on the different topics that arose.

On interviewing several students at the school, it has been found that a very important issue concerning the students is their future. This is first of all the worries of the heightening costs of tuitions for colleges and universities, and the subtraction of grants and loans, and second, after post secondary education, the lack of jobs.

Greg Stamp said "It doesn't

really make sense that everyone says education is important. Students are being charged more and more for education, and grants are being taken away, so the government is making it a lot harder to get a good education."

Todd Jackson said "Why should students be penalized, and have to pay high tuitions, when they could sit at home and collect welfare? Money is being lost in other places so why not take away from those, and give more to students?"

Tai Gerrard said "The government should create more jobs up here. A good idea was the one about the hats made of hemp by Tilley. Many jobs could be created with the allowance of growing hemp. The government really should drop the silly outdated laws."



WHO WOULD YOU VOTE FOR: For many of these students, the by-election will be their first opportunity to vote. Their top concern is whether they can afford to continue their education.

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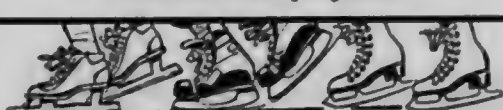
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This week

McLeod defends decision on mill

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The Liberals' albatross in Haliburton County is the Martin Lumber mill closing. Party leader Lyn McLeod made the ruling that closed the mill and cost 400 jobs when she was Minister of Natural Resources in 1989. Last week she came face to face with the human cost of that decision.

At a meeting with students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School last Tuesday, she was confronted by the daughter of one of the men thrown out of work.

Joyce Vaughan's father, Ken, has lived away from home for the last four years — since she was 15-years-old, he's worked out of Peterborough, coming home to his family in Harcourt only on weekends.

The Haliburton Highlands High School OAC student wasn't about to miss the opportunity to let McLeod know that.

"I had him home for 15 years," Joyce Vaughan told the *Echo* after she had questioned McLeod. "Now he comes home late Friday night and I feel guilty if I want to go out on Saturday."

She stayed in Harcourt with her mother and her younger sister Trisha, 16, when her father left the county looking for work.

Ken Vaughan now works as a driver for Buckham Transport in Peterborough.

His daughter said she decided to confront McLeod as soon as she heard she would be visiting the school.

"You say jobs are a top priority but you closed Martin Lumber," Vaughan told McLeod. How can you come here and say that if the Liberals win you'll create jobs?, she asked.

Moments before McLeod had said the number-one concern of communities in Ontario was jobs "and that has to be our biggest concern."

But McLeod said there was more at stake in the Harcourt Lumber decision.

The mill closed in 1989 when McLeod refused to transfer logging rights on crown land to a proposed buyer. The G.W. Martin company was attempting to sell the mill after owner Grenville Martin died in a plane crash and the company got into financial difficulties.

Four hundred jobs would be lost if the deal didn't go through.

But McLeod said there was insufficient timber on the crown land to transfer the licence. Without it the buyer, Robert Bury from Montreal, withdrew his offer to buy the mill and it closed.

It was a major economic blow to the eastern part of the county and it has yet to recover from the loss of its biggest source of employment.

"That was a very, very, difficult issue," McLeod told Vaughan. "If I as the Minister of Natural Resources had given the licence, there was every indication more lumber mills would go down. It was a very, very difficult decision to make."

"I couldn't give a crown timber licence until it was studied. There was just not enough wood."

But Vaughan and other students told her the land had been logged from the year the decision was made and they hadn't seen any study.

Vaughan, who lives opposite the crown lands at the edge of Algonquin Park, said she still sees trucks taking out logs.

McLeod said a study had been done by the NDP government and, as far as she knew, no licence had ever been issued.

In an interview with the *Echo* she said the regional MNR office had been "very, very concerned about an adequate wood supply" from the land in question.

"I don't think I had any choice. I was obliged by law to see there was an adequate wood supply."

Peter Hynard, a forester at the MNR office in Minden, said later that there was a study done in 1990 and it concluded there was an insufficient supply of quality saw logs and veneer woods to



Liberal party leader Lyn McLeod came to HHSS last week to talk to students about her party's campaign platform.

support the existing mills in the area.

But Hynard said there was timber being cut on the crown land under tender.

"There's some timber available there. We told (Bury) the timber was available to him and others by tendering (when the licence was refused). The land is being cut, the demand is certainly there, it's a question of allocation."

All crown land is subject to timber management. Even with a licence a mill can't overcut. By limiting timber rights only to tendered cuts the ministry, in effect, holds the licence itself.

Hynard said another study has just been completed on wood supply and distribution in the region.

It shows there is now a better balance between the available timber and the demand, for wood.

A number of large mills have closed in the last few years, tipping the scales in favour of the surviving mills.

The latest study was released by the MNR on March 9. It was

done by Bill Brown, the general manager of Algonquin Forestry Authority.

The report found the supplies of timber for sawmills are in "a delicate balance" with demand.

The press release from the MNR last week that announced the completion of Brown's report said it "follows a 1990 MNR study which found that supplies of wood for pulp and fibre-based products exceed demand, but there is less room for optimism in the case of sawlog and veneer material."

Trustees want status quo

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Ignoring a warning from the Minister of Education to cut or be cut, Haliburton County school trustees voted last week to keep their numbers at 14 — two more than the number designated by the Education Act.

A special meeting of the full board was called last Tuesday night to decide the issue and the board voted 10 to three to stay with the current number (14 plus one separate school trustee).

"It's important every municipality have a representative," said Glamorgan trustee Craig Pettit. "It gives you a feeling there's someone to take your problem to."

On the other side of the argument Board Chairman Lloyd Griffiths said that times have changed and consolidation was needed.

Minister of Education Dave Cooke has told Ontario's 2,129 trustees they face legislation forcing them to reduce their numbers if they won't do it voluntarily. He has said high education costs and a burgeoning education bureaucracy mean trustees must reduce their numbers.

But the majority of Haliburton trustees were unmoved by the threat, citing a need for individual municipal representation and an already heavy workload.

At its current size Haliburton County's board has one representative for every 947 permanent residents. The trustees' honoraria in the 1993 budget totalled \$97,875, plus \$8,500 in travel expenses.

Haliburton County's permanent

population of just over 13,000 people entitles it to 12 trustees (plus one separate school).

The Act also authorizes the board to exceed that number by two, but it forced the board to pass a resolution by March 31, with a three-quarters majority, to do so.

The three trustees who voted against keeping the current numbers were Griffiths (Bicroft/Cardiff), Len Salvatori and Wayne Wood (Dysart et al.).

Two trustees, Nancy Stinson and Tim Casey (both Dysart et al.), were not at the meeting, which was hastily called after the board was informed a decision was needed by March 15.

The debate began with a resolution that moved to keep the number of trustees at 14 (plus one separate school). That meant four trustees would have to vote against the resolution to force a second vote on a lesser number.

Chairman Lloyd Griffiths (Bicroft/Cardiff) temporarily gave up the chair to voice his opposition to staying with the current number.

"This board has functioned well, exceedingly well, except now it's becoming outmoded," said Griffiths.

"I wouldn't like to feel pressured by the government but this may be a spark plug....I think times have changed, we have to change, we are supposed to be the agents of change. We are training children to cope with change and we can't deal with change?"

He said one trustee could easily represent Cardiff, Bicroft, Please turn to page 21

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Trustees won't get math lesson

Municipal clerks refuse to make political decisions for them

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Because the school board didn't do its math the distribution of trustees in the county has been thrown into disarray and two municipalities could lose their school board representatives.

Last Tuesday the board debated how many trustees it should have, but it wasn't given any figures to show the effect of a reduction or increase in numbers.

The trustees also couldn't tell what the result might be if they guaranteed one low-population municipality its own trustee, so they didn't "protect" any of the municipalities.

As a result the figures to be sent to the Ministry of Education today indicate Monmouth and Glamorgan will lose their own

trustees and have to share one.

Director of Education Brad Saunders told the board he had asked three municipal clerks to prepare the figures before last Tuesday's board meeting.

But the Act specifies that the clerks of the three largest municipalities - Dysart et al, Anson, Hindon, Minden, and Stanhope - will only determine the distribution of trustees after the board has voted on the number of trustees and named any designated municipalities.

The administration didn't do the calculations either so no figures were available for trustees to consider before voting.

Trustees voted 13-0 to give Saunders a blank cheque resolution to take to the clerks saying, in effect, do whatever it takes to maintain the same representation.

But the clerks, in a letter to trustees last Thursday, said those decisions "are political and we, as Clerks, are not mandated to become involved in the actions of the Board....It is our understanding that in the past, the Board has adopted the necessary resolutions based on the information they receive from their staff, and the clerks perform the calculations."

They asked the board to pass the necessary corrected resolutions before noon today (Tuesday) to meet their deadline.

At press time the board had not scheduled another meeting to deal with the matter.

Saunders defended his decision not to provide the numbers to the trustees.

"You may say it's simple. But if it's that simple it would have been a simple matter to get together with the clerks" and calculate the figures.

He said he didn't know why that hadn't been possible but thought it was because of the political nature of the decisions to be made on distribution.

Saunders said he hadn't given trustees the necessary calculations to make their decision because they might have differed from the clerks' calculations and could have misled the trustees.

"There was no guarantee the information we would be using would be the same as the clerks were using."

The calculation multiplies the population of the municipalities by the number of approved trustees (14 in this case), divided by the total population of the county. If a municipality is designated low-population, and given a trustee, its population and trustee are deducted before the calculations are done.

Changes to the Education Act passed last December forced boards to take another look at the number of trustees.

If a board decides to change the number of members already determined by population - 12

for Haliburton County - it must pass a resolution to do so by March 31. It can also designate any municipalities it wants to "protect" to guarantee that municipality gets a representative.

Once it has done so, the decision is given to the clerks of the three largest municipalities to calculate entitlement and distribution using the figures and designations named by the board.

The Haliburton board wanted to stay with 14 trustees and voted to do so. But it also wanted to ensure Sherborne has a representative.

In the past Sherborne has been designated because, although it has only 521 permanent residents, it pays more than 20 per cent of the education tax bill as a consequence of its high seasonal population.

But the trustees didn't know whether doing so would deny another municipality a trustee.

Consequently the figures were to be sent in today with Glamorgan and Monmouth sharing a trustee. (Although Sherborne would only be entitled to .55 of a trustee if it was combined with its neighbour Stanhope (1.16) they would share two trustees anyway. So Glamorgan and Monmouth were forced to share).

The municipal clerks must complete the calculations by today (March 15) and forward them to the Ministry of Education.

An anomaly in the legislation gives trustees until March 31 to make a final decision on distribution.

Yesterday Saunders said it was his understanding that the board would be able to overrule the calculations of the clerks if it did so before the board's deadline of March 31.

At press time the chairman of the board, Lloyd Griffiths, was unavailable to comment on what action the board might take.

Counting the trustees

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Trustee entitlement is based on a simple calculation: the population of the municipality multiplied by the total number of trustees and divided by the total county population. Separate school population and trustees are not included in the calculations.

If a municipality is designated low population, and given one trustee, that municipality's population and trustee are deducted before the calculations are made. (Second chart). Once the entitlement is calculated, distribution can be determined.

The first chart shows the entitlement of each municipality without any specially designated trustees. The board now has 14 trustees. Population totals for the county specify 12 as the allowable number without a board resolution. The second chart shows the entitlement with Sherborne designated.

Municipality	With 14 * trustees	With 12 * trustees	Population
Cardiff	.60	.51	574
Bicroft	.53	.45	505
Monmouth	.81	.69	770
Glamorgan	.61	.52	583
Snowdon	.83	.71	791
Lutterworth	.93	.79	881
A.H.M.	3.24	2.78	3,075
Stanhope	1.16	1.00	1,105
Dysart et al	4.69	4.02	4,449
Sherborne	.55	.47	521

* Based on a population of 13,254

Municipality	With 13 ** trustees	With 11 ** trustees	Current trustees
Cardiff	.58	.49	1
Bicroft	.51	.43	
Monmouth	.78	.66	1
Glamorgan	.59	.50	1
Snowdon	.80	.68	1
Lutterworth	.89	.76	1
A.H.M.	3.13	2.65	3
Stanhope	1.12	.95	1
Dysart et al	4.54	3.84	4
Sherborne	1.00	1.00	1

** With Sherborne designated as low population and given one trustee. Sherborne's population of 521 and one trustee are deducted and calculations are based on a population of 12,733 and the remaining number of trustees.

Representation stays the same

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Glamorgan and Monmouth (total population 2,432).

But Pettit voiced the opinion of many other trustees when he said it was important for each municipality to have its own representative.

He said the numbers also kept a balance between the larger centres of Anson, Hindon, Minden (three trustees) and Dysart et al (four trustees) and the smaller areas which share the remaining seven. Apart from Bicroft and Cardiff which share a trustee, the other small municipalities all have their own elected representative.

Trustee Wood argued that one tier government was inevitable in the future and the school board would also need to amalgamate its constituencies. The smaller townships could not afford to remain independent.

Lutterworth trustee Cheryl Murdoch said if the board cut its numbers to save the \$6,000 annual honorarium paid to trustees the

workload would soon require a replacement in administration.

"I can guarantee right now if we reduce our numbers, in two or three years we'll be hiring someone.... who won't be making (just) \$6,000."

She said the government legislation was aimed at larger school boards with trustees making \$40,000 a year or more.

But Salvatori argued that for the size of the Haliburton budget (\$16,284,150 in 1993), and with the attempts to reach a zero increase this year, an honorarium of \$6,000 was a significant amount.

He wanted to know what choices the board would have later if the ministry decided to force a cut in numbers.

But Saunders, who had been at a meeting of board personnel and Ministry officials in Toronto earlier in the day, told the trustees that Cooke had said at that meeting it was unlikely the government could act before the next election, due in 1995.

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who step in so quickly to help buffer the tragedies of life.

The Loop Troupe met this week to discuss the recent play and the constructive criticism we received. These comments were appreciated as well as the praise, this is the way we can learn to improve future productions. We will begin read-

ing plays on Wednesday March 8th, all members who can please attend. There will also be events during the summer, so please watch for the announcements.

Maureen Finlay, her son Don and wife Kay, attended the funeral service for Marion Edgar at St. James-Bond United Church in Toronto on Tuesday March 8th. Marion, who died at the age of 88, was an accomplished pianist and organist, with the degrees of A.R.C.T. from the Toronto Royal Academy of Music. As well as teach piano and playing at many functions, she led a seniors' choir from the Second Mile Club. Her choir entertained at many places in Toronto, one of the events being the opening of the Eaton Centre. The Edgars have a cottage at Diamond Lake where they enjoyed their summers for many years. They were also members of the Monmouth Senior's club years ago just after it was organized. We extend our sympathies to the family. The Library is looking

for donations for their flea market table at the Maple Syrup Festival on April 2nd. Any article, except clothing would be welcome. Donations of small articles can be left at the Library, or you may call Donna at 448-2991, if you would like your donations picked up.

Some of the family of May-Anne Jordens will be travelling to Edmonton soon to be on hand to support May-Anne when she tries for the Miss Canada crown. She is already Miss Toronto and has decided to carry on. It really takes a lot of courage to take part in these pageants, but she says she really enjoys all the excitement. Whatever happens it will be a great experience for her, and we wish her the very best of luck, we'll all be rooting for you May-Anne.

There is going to be a children's party at Highland Grove Recreation Centre on April 2 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Games and fun for all ages. Parents are welcome to stay with their little ones.



Where's Robin Hood?

Students in Cathy Boake's Grade 6 class at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School really got into their study of medieval history last Wednesday. Jordana Bain and Megan Landry (above) and their classmates dressed for the occasion. They also invited principal McKay Brydon and vice-principal Penny Obee (background) to join them for a medieval feast.

Two new residents welcomed

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March 14, 1994: The residents and staff extend a warm welcome to two new people who came to live at Extendicare this week. We wish Margaret Schuster and Karl Tallman a long and happy stay.

Preparations started this week for the Fall Bazaar. Residents and volunteers began the crafts preparation.

People in the community who do crafts and who would want to share that craft with residents are welcome to call Barb Fryer (457-1722) and arrange to visit Extendicare from time to time as a crafts volunteer.

Nick Murray led the Church Service this week.

The movie for this week was Menace on the Mountain. If any in the community have video recordings of their trip to

the ski hills with scenes of the Haliburton winterland, such videos would be enjoyable as well as enlightening to the residents.

Staff and residents of

Extendicare this week mourn the death of two people, Pauline Smart and Walter Harrison. Condolences are extended to the families of these residents. They will be missed.

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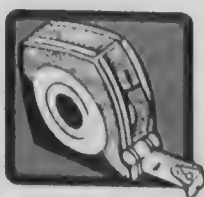
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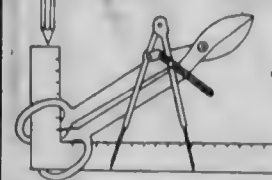
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to play her beautiful piano music.

The residents and staff of Hyland Crest were saddened by the passing of Mrs. Mary Burgess, wife

of Rev. John Burgess on Feb. 23, 1994. Our sympathy to her family and friends.

Sunday evening chapel service was conducted by Rev. Burgess with music on the organ by Lorna Roland.

Monday Edith Brittain was to Lindsay for a check up of her arm which was broken in February.

Liz had her baking program on Tuesday and lunch at noon in the auditorium for the residents. Tuesday chapel service was conducted by Rev. Parker.

Also on Tuesday, crafts were supervised by Margaret O'Shaughnessy. We are preparing for March 17th. In the evening Pearl's daughter helped play cards.

Wednesday there were 18 residents and volunteers, as well as Doris as Driver and Linda as co-pilot who went to Minden Legion for our lunch. The legion ladies thought of everything to make us comfortable and the lunch was lovely. Thanks to the ladies for their hospitality. On the way home Kathy Wood treated us to an ice

cream at the Kawartha Dairy.

Everett Fearrey came in the evening and played his guitar and sang for us. Everett and some of his family came regularly a couple of years ago. It was nice to see his return.

Thursday, March 3, the ladies of the Haliburton United Church supplied a delicious tea for our tea party. Thank you to Helen Archer, Mary Packard, Marie Roberts, Lida Roberts, Beulah Tyler, Pat Cowen, Marie Letti, Charlie Tyler and Glenna Beckham on piano.

Friday afternoon the world day of prayer was held in the auditorium. The program was prepared by the ladies of Minden and Rev. Peter Walford-Davis was the speaker. The theme was peace among nations and individuals. Four ladies lit four candles asking for peace with God's help. The ladies of the United Church served a delicious lunch after the service and time was spent to chat with friends.

Our sincere thanks to all the people mentioned above.

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April 1st	Good Friday Good Friday Fauré's Requiem	10:00 am 1:30 pm 7:30 pm	St. Margaret's St. Andrew's St. George's
April 2nd	Holy Saturday Holy Baptism and First Eucharist of Easter	3:30 pm	St. George's
April 3rd	Easter Ecumenical Sonrise Service	7:00 am	Bandshell in Head Lake Park followed by refreshments at St. George's
	Easter Holy Communion	8:00 am	St. George's
	Easter Holy Communion	9:15 am	St. Margaret's
	Easter Holy Eucharist	11:00 am	St. George's
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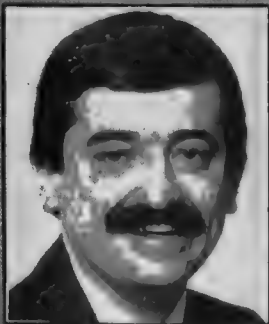
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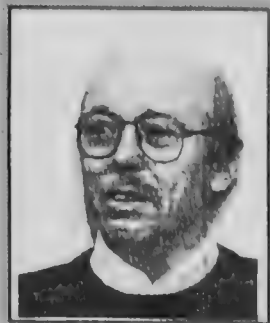


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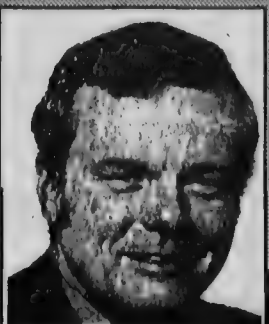
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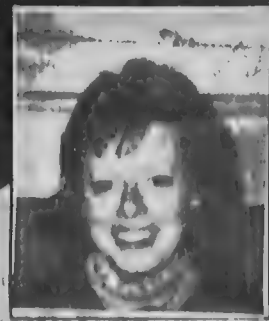
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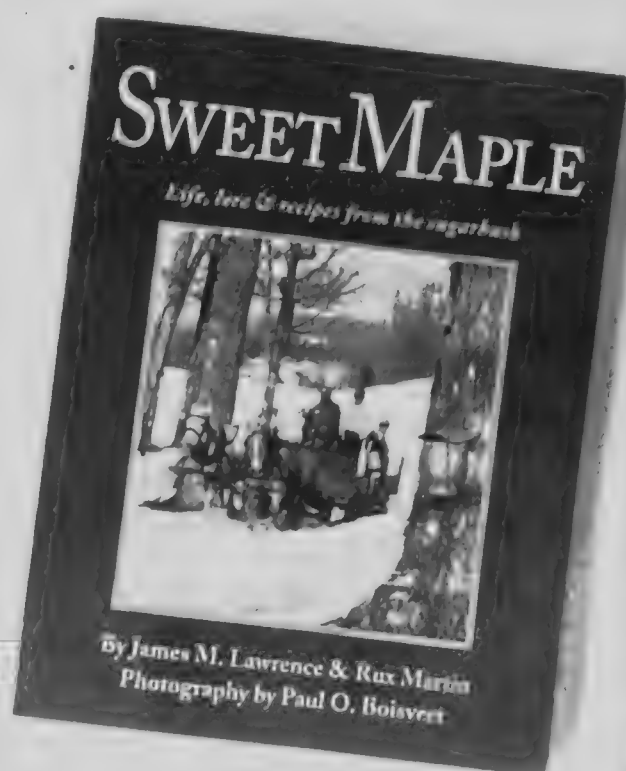


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*Meanwhile – keep thinking those
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Music is a special dessert at Supper

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The Sunday Supper Club gathered in a group of 57 on March 6 at the Centre, beginning and ending their time with a prayer. Dinner was followed by special music by Myra Sholtes and her sister Mabel Everall; and a sing-a-long. Next month's dinner's April 10th.

The men's breakfast at the Baptist Church here was on March 5, with 12 present and Greg Brown as speaker.

Our deepest sympathy

to Jean (Mrs. Richard) Henderson, whose mother, Mrs. Rita Scott died early in March. Mrs. Scott had raised her family of ten in what was Burnhamthorpe Village (now Mississauga). The funeral was held in Port Hope with family and friends in attendance.

Another note of sympathy goes to Henry Van den Hazel and his family in the loss of Barbara, beloved wife, mother and grandmother.

The annual World Day of Prayer service was hosted at St. Andrew's by the St. Peter's Church women. Joan Parker of Minden, speaker for the occasion, presented a thoughtful and topical talk accompanied by slides on aspects of life in Palestine. At the time of preparation for it, Joan had no idea how topical her talk would be. Approximately 60 people came from the areas of Camarvon, Maple Lake, Eagle Lake, West Guilford and our Greaves family from Haliburton. It was a really informative and happy occasion. As

usual, the refreshments served by the women from St. Peter's church and the visiting afterwards made the afternoon complete. The event used to be known as the Women's World Day of Prayer, but is now the World Day of Prayer. The presence of four men (and a baby, Justin Greaves) attests to this welcome change.

Kathleen Owens and I attended a Scottish country dancing workshop in Belleville on the weekend of March 12.

Al and Marie Cooper visited Elva Cooper for a few days last week.

There's lots to do at 4H

To the Editor:

This letter is addressed to the children and parents of children who are looking for something fun, educational and free to do in Haliburton County.

Why not join the Haliburton County 4-H?

4-H has been around for many years. It has not been as well known in Haliburton, but has had loyal followers all across the country for a long time. We, the leaders and kids of 4-H are now trying to bring this organization to the rest of Haliburton County in the hopes that more people will become members, leaders and helpers.

4-H is a program that has roots in Canada as far back as 1913 in Roland, Manitoba. Back then, potato, livestock, sewing, foods, and gardening clubs were formed for young people and were known as Boys' and Girls' Clubs. The name "4-H Club" came into being in the early 1950's.

The basic philosophy of 4-H is to help with mental, emotional, social and physical development of young people.

The green four-leaf clove is Canada's official 4-

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The motto is "Learn to do by doing". The members learn by listening, studying and seeing but mostly by actually doing. Leaders and parents help but the members practise the skills taught. Some of the skills developed in 4-H (self-confidence, responsibility, leadership and communications) are all things we need to practise. Members are in complete charge of their own project tasks, participate in meetings, and even host or lead club activities.

This is just a general rundown of what 4-H is and where it started. It is open to young people between the ages of 10 and 21 years and who live in Haliburton County (there are 4-H Clubs in almost every county in Ontario and Canada).

If you would like more information about 4-H as a member, parent, helper or just for interest attend our 'Information Night' on April 14, 1994 in Haliburton at 7:00 p.m. at the Execuplex (above Village Donuts and Guardian Drugs).

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AT REST
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PAULINE PHYLLIS SMART
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AT REST
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WALTER ANDREW HARRISON
In his 84th year.

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390 DEATH NOTICES

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AT REST
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AT REST
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410 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
In the matter of the estate of HERBERT ROBERT AUGUST PORATH
All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of the late Herbert Robert August Porath, of the Township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 16th day of February, 1994, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 29th day of March, 1994. **AND TAKE NOTICE** that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled here-to by the Executor/Administrator of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice. Dated at Haliburton, Ontario this 1st day of March, 1994. **RAYMOND G. SELBIE**, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. CA

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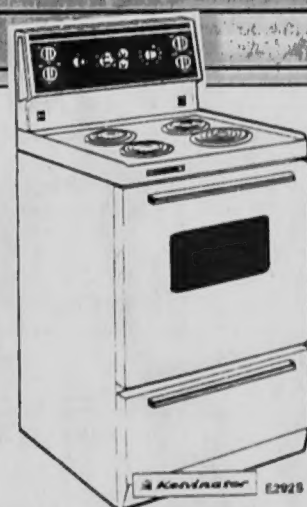
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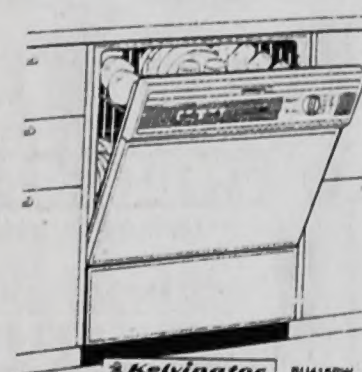
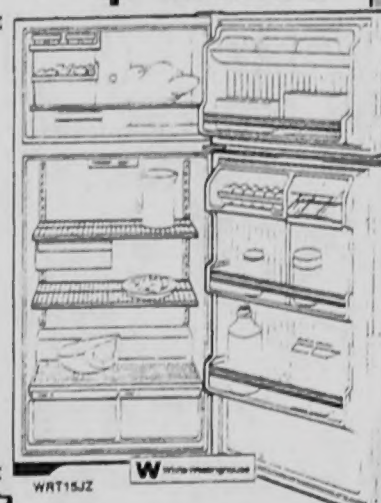
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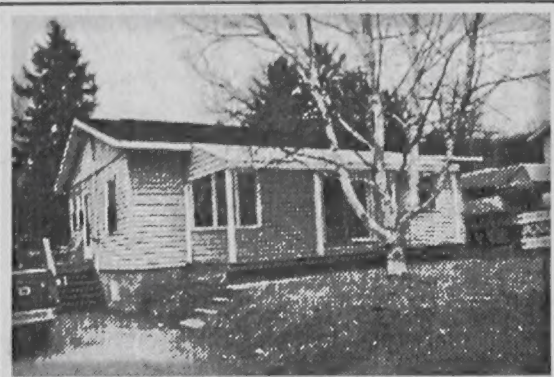
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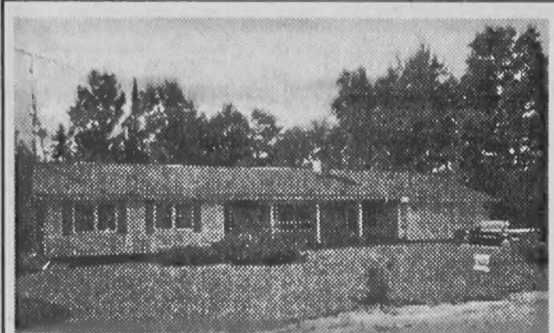
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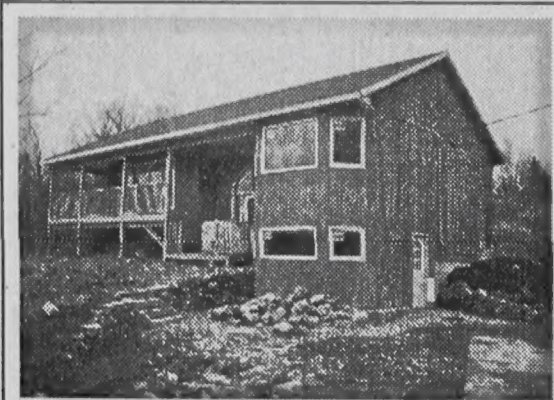
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